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OUR AIMS FOR 1942

D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary
Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

During 1942—your Convention Board expects to MAJOR on Majors, as:

1. **EVANGELISM:** A few revivals will be held by your Secretary; soul-winning tracts will be distributed; two evangelistic issues of Baptist Record as instructed by the Convention; a truly great Evangelistic Conference at Clinton, March 23-26; at least one revival in every church; at least one person won to Christ in every church; many association-wide simultaneous revivals; all our departments practicing soul-winning.

Why not win to Christ and baptize 15,000-20,000 of the 700,000 lost in Mississippi?

2. **COOPERATIVE PROGRAM:** Causes receiving larger support in prayers, practicing and paying.

Every Mississippi Baptist giving a penny, a nickel, a dime, a dollar, or, many dollars to all causes through the Cooperative Program, as Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Seminaries, Orphanage, Hospitals, Ministerial Education, Training School, Relief and Annuity Board, Christian Education, etc.

3. Ask God to help us grow a Christian Fellowship that will stand the shock of a world war!

4. Inform the people as to the work of the Lord Jesus, in both message and method, so that we as Baptists will stay on the main track, and, keep going forward on that track, despite slanderers, and hinderers.

5. Go out to the last church, and, the last churchless area in Mississippi with the story of Jesus, and, with His plan for His churches.

6. Practice economy in the administration of denominational (why not personal and church also) affairs.

7. Summary: Preach and practice—worship, serving, giving, soul-winning, missions, philanthropy, Christian living, evangelism and enlistment.

"God giveth the increase."—1 Corinthians 3:6-7.

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Rev. Paul Ball was elected pastor for the Seminary Baptist Church of Perry County for the coming year. Through his leadership the church is accomplishing much good. We have a fine Sunday school, with 28 in attendance last Sunday, and W. M. U. just organized. We desire the prayers of the churches that we will ever be doers of the Word and not hearers only.—Mrs. Homer Hinton.

WHAT THE MISSISSIPPI W. M. U. HOPES TO DO IN 1942

Fannie Traylor, Executive Secretary

The records for 1941 have been made and laid on the shelf. As we glance backward over the 365 days each one of them was laden with blessings from the Father's hand and we were supplied with sufficient grace for each problem, trial and task. Are we facing the New Year with fear or faith? The waters are turbulent, the clouds are lowering but as long as we keep our eyes on Him our faith will not fail. One hope of mine is that each woman of us will determine to learn the lessons He has in store for us this calendar year and be able to say, "O send out Thy light and Thy truth" through me, regardless of the cost. Only consecrated lives can be used for His glory. May He create a clean heart within us—PERSONAL CONSECRATION.

Following personal consecration shall we resolve to live up to our opportunities as officers and members of a missionary organization. First in the study of the Missionary Topics Theme for the year, "Thy Will Be Done on Earth" and the Bible Topics Theme, "Lessons from Providence." If you have studied the first lessons in January Royal Service on these topics for the year, your thoughts have been turned in the right direction and they will lead to right action. Millions are asking "Where is Truth?" Aren't you better ready to evaluate the truth and reveal it, as taught through His Word and the Holy Spirit, to the inquiring ones? May we embody the truth in our living in 1942.

Another hope for every one of us is that we may learn this year through service what the word sacrifice means. Did our gifts last year express our love for Him who gave His all for us? Or did they reveal our selfishness? Did my offering please God? Did I attend the missionary meetings last year regardless of what I wanted to do for selfish pleasures? Are we ready to present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God . . . that we may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God? If so, we can claim that we know something of the word sacrifice.

The word "cooperative" is a very descriptive adjective when it is used in connection with an organization. It means all members are working together jointly, for a common end, or to procure

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OUR B. T. U. PROGRAM FOR 1942

Auber J. Wilds, Secretary

Our program for 1942 covers twelve months of intensive activity, beginning with a conference in Nashville Dec. 31-Jan. 2. for all state workers from over the south. From this conference we open the year's program with high hopes of carrying out the aims, and reaching the goals set by our associations in their meeting in October.

Goals set by the associations are as follows: New Training Unions to be set up, 275. This does not necessarily mean 275 churches without unions organized, but the election of at least a director in that many churches that do not now have one. 1,358 new unions organized. This will include unions never before in existence and unions re-organized, unions that have lapsed because of bad roads, cold weather, etc. 25,297 study course awards issued. That number is nearly twice as many as we have ever issued in one year, but is not an impossible goal.

Our task as State workers is to encourage and cooperate with these associational officers in reaching these goals. In order to do this we have the following plans, which will be subject to adjustment:

The first six months will be a time of visiting
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OUR 1942 SUNDAY SCHOOL GOALS

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

The Sunday School Department has set some goals for 1942 that are both worthy and attainable. In setting these particular goals we do not mean to say that this is all we would like to see done this year, but we are giving what we think are goals that are within our reach this year, and also some that will in each instance be a good increase over 1941. To be goals indeed they should be both attainable and worthy. In this view we give the following:

Standard Departments	35
Standard Classes	500
Standard Schools	65
Churches having Training Schools	400
Associations having Training Schools	70
Number Training Awards	7,000
Vacation Bible Schools	500
New Sunday Schools	50
New Cradle Rolls	75
New Extension Departments	85
Libraries organized	65

WE DO NOT PUBLISH UNSIGNED ARTICLES

A few days ago the following note accompanied by an excellent article was received by The Baptist Record. But no name was signed to the note or the article. If the writer will give us his name we will gladly use the article. Unsigned articles cannot be used. Upon request the author's name can be omitted but we must know the name of the writer.

This is a universal rule among papers.

Editor, Baptist Record:

I am not a preacher, but am a Baptist. My business permits me to see and hear things which force me to give expression to my feelings. It is sad, yes, it is deplorable, how many "good" Baptist mothers we see pushing their daughters into things and company which will cause many tears and sleepless nights for the family. The SERIOUS part of it is they are our "church members," not only Baptists but all other denominations.

If the article is worth anything, in your opinion, and you can find space, I would like to hear reaction.

Sincerely,

BAPTIST.

ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS

The week of January 19-23 is the time for the 70 associational Sunday school meetings for Mississippi. There will be 14 teams of three members each covering the entire state in the five days of that week, Monday through Friday.

The purpose of these meetings is to give opportunity for the Sunday school workers of each church and the associational Sunday school officers to study the work, set some definite and attainable goals for 1942, and make plans for reaching them.

This will be the only Sunday school meeting of this type this year. Therefore, we want all the workers from each church to be sure and attend. It will be well for the school to plan for conveyance for those who do not have it and can and want to attend. Let's pray and work that those five days may be great ones for promoting the great Sunday school and Vacation Bible school program for 1942.

We give below the date and meeting place of each association:

Association	Date of Meeting	Place of Meeting
Alcorn	January 20	Kossuth
Attala	January 22	Kosciusko
Benton	January 19	Ashland
Bolivar	January 20	Cleveland
Calhoun	January 23	Pittsboro
Carroll	January 22	Carrollton
Chickasaw	January 22	Houston
Choctaw	January 21	Weir
Clarke	January 19	Quitman
Clay	January 19	West Point
Columbus	January 20	First, Columbus
Copiah	January 22	Wesson
Covington	January 19	Mt. Olive
Deer Creek	January 20	Hollandale
DeSoto	January 23	Hernando
Franklin	January 20	Meadville
George	January 21	Lucedale
Greene	January 20	Leakesville
Grenada	January 23	Grenada
Gulf Coast	January 23	First, Gulfport
Hinds-Warren	January 19	Clinton
Holmes	January 22	Durant
Itawamba	January 20	Poplar Springs
Jackson	January 22	East Moss Point
Jasper	January 20	Bay Springs
Jefferson Davis	January 20	Bassfield
Jones	January 22	2nd Ave., Laurel
Kemper	January 23	Scooba
Lafayette	January 21	Clear Creek
Lauderdale	January 22	First, Meridian
Lawrence	January 21	Monticello
Leake	January 23	Carthage
Lebanon	January 22	5 Ave., Hattiesburg
Leflore	January 21	Itta Bena
Lee	January 19	Plantersville
Lincoln	January 21	Brookhaven
Madison	January 23	First, Canton
Marion	January 21	First, Columbia
Marshall	January 20	Holly Springs

Mississippi	January 19	Liberty
Monroe	January 21	Amory
Montgomery	January 19	Winona
Neshoba	January 21	Philadelphia
Newton	January 20	Union
Noxubee	January 21	Shuqualak
Oktibbeha	January 23	Sturgis
Panola	January 20	Sardis
Pearl River	January 23	First, Picayune
Perry	January 19	Beaumont
Pike	January 19	Friendship
Pontotoc	January 23	Pontotoc
Prentiss	January 22	Booneville
Rankin	January 23	Brandon
Riverside	January 19	Marks
Scott	January 19	Forrest
Simpson	January 22	Mendenhall
Smith	January 21	Raleigh
Sunflower	January 19	Moorhead
Tallahatchie	January 21	Charleston
Tate	January 22	Senatobia
Tippah	January 19	Ripley
Tishomingo	January 21	Highland
Union	January 23	Port Gibson
Union County	January 23	New Albany
Walthall	January 20	Tylertown
Wayne	January 23	Clara
Winston	January 22	Louisville
Yalobusha	January 22	Water Valley
Yazoo	January 21	Yazoo City
Zion	January 20	Eupora

Sumner and Webb: We have entered upon our fifth year of service with the Sumner and Webb churches. While we are not so bold as to say that the work has gone forward by leaps and bounds, we have seen a steady growth along all lines. The Baptist Record was placed in the homes of members of both churches nearly two years ago, and the paper was again included in the budget of the churches for the new year. Sumner and Webb were the first churches in the state to enter into the Ministers Retirement Plan. Not a dissenting voice has been heard regarding this forward step. Just before Christmas the folks at Sumner surprised the pastor and family by giving them a most generous pounding. A little over a year ago the Webb church made the last payment on the church building, and since then have made some needed improvements on the interior of the church. This week combination hymn book and communion cup holders are being added for the convenience of the worshippers. Bills are being promptly met when due, all special appeals are heeded, and needs in the community are not overlooked. The church remembered the pastor's family with a most acceptable gift at Christmas.—J. H. Pennebaker, pastor.

There were two professions of faith at Good Hope Baptist Church in Leake County Sunday afternoon. Both were men. One was a soldier on furlough for the holidays.

Lena Baptist Church had a very successful Sunday school study course during the first week in December. Pastor P. D. Bragg of Carthage taught "The Baptist Faith" and Pastor A. A. Ward taught "Building a Standard Sunday School." There were 35 to enroll. The average attendance, in spite of a rainy week, was 21, and there were 15 to pass the examinations.

Mission Work Bears Chicken Dinner—"What are you doing tonight?" a happy voice inquired over the telephone. "Could you go for a chicken dinner after services?" "Surely I can." He came and Mrs. Brantley and I went with a man who had been saved from death and disgrace by the ministry of the Home Mission Board's Rescue Mission. A few weeks before he had come to us tired, broke and despondent, having tried to take his own life. We helped him get a good position here in the city. The money which he spent for the chicken dinner came from his first month's pay. As we left, he said: "I can never show you my appreciation for what you did for me. I'd be dead now if it were not for the Mission. I'm the happiest fellow in the world."—Clovis A. Brantley, Superintendent, Baptist Rescue Mission, 740 Esplanade Avenue, New Orleans, La.

Southern Baptists have baptized over a million converts in the past five years as follows: 191,993 in 1936; 204,567 in 1937; 256,814 in 1938; 269,155 in 1939, and 245,500 in 1940.

Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

"SEAT STUMPS"

We have a lot of good people who have a queer perversity. For the want of a happier name I am here calling them seat stumps. They have a favorite place where they sit in the church. That is a good thing normally.

It is different, however, on a rainy Sunday night when the crowd is cut down to a third of normal, or when we have a day service during a revival meeting and the congregation is small. Then services will be greatly helped, if the congregation would all sit together in one spot. But these of whom we are thinking persist in sitting in their accustomed place. The result is that the people are so scattered until singing is impossible and the service is chilled and less interesting.

When one tries to get them to sit closer together at such times, many of them grudgingly move, and not a few of them do not budge. They want to sit where they want to sit. They are unhappy, if, even for the good of the service, they are asked to change their seats.

One of the lessons that experience teaches us preachers is that people are hard to move in more ways than one. It is great to be able to love them in spite of their perversities.

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The foreign Mission Board has advised all missionaries in the Far East and Europe to place themselves under the direction of the American authorities in their several areas, recommending that they return to America if possible or advisable, stating that efforts are being made in Washington to arrange finances for travel. It is believed that Dr. Maddy is safe in Honolulu. Information about him and missionaries will be sent out as soon as it is received.—George W. Sadler.

If the writer of the card with a clipping pasted thereon entitled, "Scotch Goes Down," will send us his name we'll gladly use the clipping. We cannot publish unsigned articles.

Many of the Slavic-speaking people of East St. Louis and Madison, Ill., are deeply interested in their soul's salvation, reports Home Board Missionary H. J. Mikhalechuk. Some of them read the Bible daily and many read Baptist literature. Their homes are open to the missionary's visits and testimony.

THE TIDE HAS STARTED IN

By Louie D. Newton

Chairman S. B. C. Committee
On Increased Circulation State Baptist Papers

One of the veteran guides on the Florida west coast said to my fishing companion and me one day when we were a bit impatient to snag some trout: "Get ready, gentlemen, the tide has started in."

Maybe some of our faithful workers have been a bit disappointed in the effort to increase the circulation of our State Baptist papers to the goal of 500,000 by 1945. I admit that, at times, I have felt that sense of disappointment.

But it looks as if the tide has started in. I study the papers every week, to see what the Editors are able to report on the unending and united effort to put our Baptist papers in the homes of our Baptist people; and the picture is brightening. Last week's papers reported heartening increases in budget churches.

Let us not miss this tide. This is the time to do the job. Churches everywhere are making their budgets for 1942. I appeal to pastors and finance committee chairmen to press the matter of putting your State paper in your church budget before it is closed for another year. Give the people a chance to vote on this vitally important matter.

We can add 100,000 new homes to the list by the time we go to San Antonio if every pastor will do his best, now that the tide has started in. Thank you.

Sparks And Splinters

Pontotoc: Dr. B. B. Hilbun has resigned the pastorate here to accept the call of Highland Church at Meridian.

Those who order the little folder entitled "One Million Minute Men" should send one cent per copy to cover cost of printing and postage.

Friendship Church, Tallahatchie County: At our afternoon appointment at Friendship Church, four miles from Sumner we have seen a remarkable growth in the past two years. A budget was adopted a year ago for the first time; a number of the members began using church envelopes, and a definite amount was agreed upon for the pastor's salary and it was met every month promptly. A Sunday school addition was completed in the late summer, the church was painted on the outside, a piano was purchased, and funds are now being accumulated with which to refinish the interior of the church. A full graded E. T. U. was started a few months ago and is doing excellent work. Pray for us as we look forward with confidence and hope to the year just ahead.—J. H. Pennebaker, Pastor.

The Midway Baptist Church in the Leake County Association has 65 people enrolled in its Sunday school. Sunday, December 21, there were 65 present, 65 prepared lessons, 38 Bibles, 124 chapters read the week before, and 25 visitors. All the officers and teachers were present. This church held its Sunday school study course in November and eleven passed the examination. It plans to add a Cradle Roll and Extension Department.

Rev. W. R. Haynie, formerly of Durant and now pastor of Gretna Baptist Church across the river from New Orleans, rejoices over the growth of Baptist affairs there. The Sunday school attendance has grown to 196. The offerings are the largest ever and there have been 77 additions this year.

Beneath War Clouds: The Baptist Seminary in Bucharest, Rumania, has had to be closed temporarily because its students were called for military service. Recently the government requisitioned 60 of its beds for use in the military hospital. The group of loyal Baptists, however, have by no means given up, and a message from Rev. Roy F. Starmer, Southern Baptist missionary, forwarded by radio from the American legation, October 12, reads: "Expect to reopen girls' school soon, conditions permitting." Since the work in Europe can be carried on most effectively by native Christians, there is every reason to feel encouraged over the prospect of reopening the school for the training of Christian young women for places of leadership. The faithful are expected to carry on in spite of war.—Ex.

Shady Grove, George County: I have just closed a good meeting with the Shady Grove Baptist Church, George County. This was my eleventh meeting with these good people, with a total of 225 additions.—B. S. Hilbun.

We are glad to hear from a Mississippian who is now a chaplain in the United States Army that chaplains are now to do religious work only. Heretofore they have had duties in many places, some religious and some otherwise. A recent War Department order confines their duties to religious affairs.

In the Rum Business: According to Representative Louis Ludlow, the United States is in the rum business. "Since 1935," says Mr. Ludlow, "our government has been financing a Virgin Islands rum company. This company has manufactured in six years 740,325 gallons of rum for which \$433,016 has been received and paid into the United States treasury. The rum has been distributed in this country by the W. A. Taylor Distributing Company of New York City." We understand from Representative Ludlow that Secretary Ickes, without congressional consent, is responsible for this. If so, he has put the people of the United States in the rum business without their knowledge. The only way to handle the rum business is to kill it, and Christians ought to begin immediately the killing process. Here is a great mission for our churches.—Southern Baptist Home Missions.

December Receipts Show Gain of \$16,831.58

	Coop.	Desig'd.	Program	Gifts	Now Club	Totals
December, 1941	12,080.01	24,271.35	10,184.38	47,263.74		
December, 1940	9,749.34	16,409.50	4,273.32	30,432.16		
Gain	3,058.67	7,861.85	5,911.06	16,831.58		

What share did you have in this increase?

From the Western Recorder we learn that at a recent meeting of the trustees of Georgetown College it was voted that President Sherwood's services would not be required after the close of the present year. Dr. Sherwood has been the cause of much contention among Kentucky Baptists. Many Baptists questioned his orthodoxy. The General Association (State Convention) has withdrawn financial support from Georgetown College during Dr. Sherwood's administration. Concerning the controversy Dr. Masters says in the Western Recorder: "It is hoped and expected that the retirement of President Sherwood will open the way to a settlement of unfortunate and hurtful difficulties which have hindered for a period of years the needed Baptist impact in the field of Christian education."

Osyka and Gillsburg: "Rev. and Mrs. Thurman Booth located as pastor of Osyka and Gillsburg Baptist churches, are happy over their first born who was a boy. The youngster will carry his father's name, Thurman, Jr. We are so very happy over our blessing. Want him to enjoy The Record too."

Tuscola Baptist Church has had its fall Study Course Week. Mrs. H. H. Brooks taught "Teaching Adults in the Sunday School," and Mrs. A. A. Ward taught "The Art of Teaching Intermediates." There were 10 who passed the examinations. This school was standard in 1941.

Keep Them Flying: The red of the American Flag has been dyed a deeper red by the blood of patriots dying at far-flung out-posts. The white is a cleaner white—the purity of a cause which sought peace and obtained an unprovoked war. The blue is a deeper blue—the blue of justice, of tolerance, of freedom. Fly these colors and keep them flying—from sidewalk staffs—from building pinnacles—from every masthead. They've a new meaning. They are an everlasting inspiration. Keep 'em flying. Today, tomorrow, forever.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

The North Carolina Convention has voted to guarantee deficits in operating expenses of the Biblical Recorder up to \$12,000 a year.

The Home Mission Board's budget for 1942 totals \$630,000. It is divided as follows: Mission work throughout the South, Cuba and Panama \$246,742.85; debts \$227,000 and \$100,000 for operating expenses, field work, publicity, old-age pensions and miscellaneous items.

Rev. O. H. Buckley, formerly of Burns, Miss., has resigned his field of work at Tangipahoa, La., to become pastor at Mandeville, La. He will also preach at Bogue Folley church near Covington.

Crystal Springs: The Lottie Moon offering has already reached \$97.50 and will probably total more than \$100.00. The last report on the Army Camp work offering was \$28.50 with more expected. Twenty dollars has been given to the Baptist Radio Hour.

On New Year's Eve (Wednesday night), fourteen cottage prayer meetings were held in 64 homes of Calvary Baptist Church members (Jackson). They were led by 14 deacons. This kind of service is far better than the way many Baptists spent the dying hours of 1941.

Water Valley: A substantial increase in pastor's salary for 1942 has been adopted. Three young men came for baptism on a recent Sunday.

The New Orleans Baptist Association has a plan that is different from the usual association. On another page Dr. S. A. Murphy tells how it works.

Rev. W. C. Creasman, formerly pastor of the Park Avenue Baptist Church, Nashville, becomes superintendent of the Tennessee Baptist Orphans' Home, near Franklin, December 1, succeeding Dr. W. J. Stewart, who has retired after thirty-two years of faithful service. For the past two years Brother Creasman has been assistant superintendent.

Layman Joins Missionary In Winning Friends

By George Todd Lewis, Missionary to the Mexicans

Upon a recent Sunday we were invited to have dinner with Brother Albino Ortiz, the baker in our church. He served us a delicious Mexican delicacy known around here as tacos. After eating ourselves to the bursting point we were resting from our labors with the family. There came a knock at the door and in came two old friends of by-gone years. That is, they were friends of the Ortiz family.

After a few of the customary preliminaries of polite Spanish conversation, we got down to the main business afforded by the visit of the two friends of the Ortiz family.

"Do you have a Mexican mission in your home town of Junction, Texas?" was asked.

"Yes, we go to the Catholic church every once in a while," they said.

"But do you not go to the Baptist mission?" we asked.

"No," the visitor said, "there is no Baptist mission in Junction."

"But do you have a Bible?" I inquired further.

"Yes, but I do not read it much," he said.

We concluded our conversation by reading from the Bible and praying definitely for the man and his wife. When the prayers had been finished we invited the man and his wife to express their faith in our Lord Jesus. They both did so, and there were tears in the woman's eyes as she promised to strive to live the Christian life in a town where there is no organized Baptist work of any kind for their people.

They left the home of Albino Ortiz, who had been active in the whole work of winning them, with our prayers and the hope that God would use the simple testimony for His glory in getting the work started where apparently none had been done before.

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WHAT THIS MISSISSIPPI W. M. U. HOPES

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the same effect or benefit. A cooperative W. M. U. has no place for petty jealousies, disputings or murmurings but in honor preferring one another that they may be blameless and harmless children of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation among whom they shine as lights in the world. Let us hope for full cooperation in all our organizations during 1942.

If the above hopes are realized we need have no questions concerning enlistment of new members and new organizations, nor larger gifts for the year—all these things will be added and more than these.

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OUR B. T. U. PROGRAM FOR 1942

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the colleges for conferences with students relative to plans for our summer program; visiting the associations for conference with pastors and officers to plan for work in their association, especially for the summer; conducting two Associational Enlargement Campaigns, one in March and the other in April, the latter during the spring holidays for Mississippi and Hillman Colleges when we use volunteer students from these colleges for the faculty; special emphasis in March as Spring Study Course Month; cooperating in all denominational programs, standardship and evangelistic; with a few local church engagements for enlargement campaigns or training schools.

The last six months will begin with fifteen District Training Union Conventions in July; five weeks of special summer work in thirty associations, running July and August; two buses organized for Ridgecrest Assembly, one for each of the two weeks this year (last two weeks in July); special emphasis in September as Fall Study Course Month; attending associations in September and October; special one-day rallies of associations last week in October; State Training Union Convention in November; a few open dates have been reserved for local church engagements.

These plans will give our constituency some idea of how we hope to work with the leaders in our churches and associations in carrying out their program, set up in the associational meetings the last week in October.

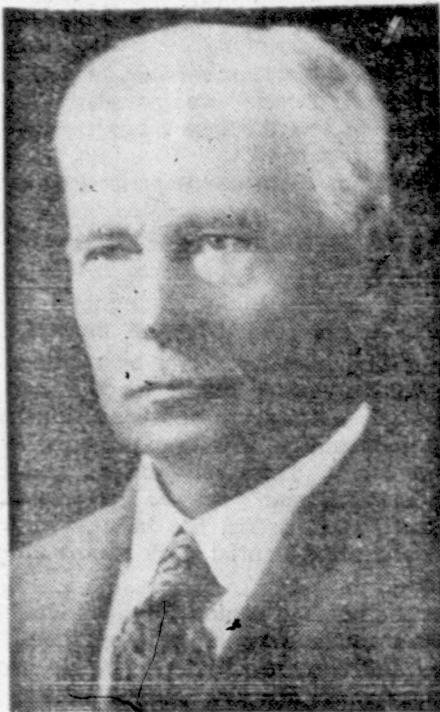
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EDITOR OF BAPTIST RECORD
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P. I. Lipsey

After thirty years as editor of The Baptist Record Dr. Plautus Iberus Lipsey has turned over the exacting, arduous and comprehensive duties as editor of The Baptist Record to other hands. Though still stronger than many twenty years his junior, he felt his life would be prolonged by ridding himself of the worries of an editor.

No more fitting verse to describe this great servant of the Lord and servant of the denomination can be found than "Well done thou good and faithful servant." Adapting the words of the beloved Apostle Paul we can say, "He has fought a good fight, he has kept the faith."

As one who has worked closely by his side for seven years, we can testify to his faithfulness, his earnestness, his humbleness, his graciousness, his energy, his studiousness, his keen mind, his ability to look through a proposition and to his fearlessness in advocating what he thought to be right.

Through his work for and with Mississippi Baptists, as pastor and as editor of The Baptist Record, Dr. Lipsey has had a large share in keeping Mississippi Baptists on the road to orthodoxy. Frequently has he pointed out dangers unseen to many. And often far ahead of others he has advocated wise steps that needed to be taken:

No honor Mississippi Baptists could bestow would be worthy of his faithful services.

No Bible student within our knowledge can go deeper, or get more from a verse of Scripture than this noble servant of God.

Mississippi Baptists are going to miss his keen insight, his pungent paragraphs, his unusual wisdom, his honored advice and his continued usefulness.

And though he claims to have retired, all Mississippi Baptists will continue to call upon him for various services and look to him for advice. And the writer will reserve weekly any space in The Baptist Record that Dr. Lipsey cares to use. The Record will be richer and Mississippi Baptists the gainers by anything he will write for us.

A. L. GOODRICH.

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Calhoun City: The Men's Bible Class aided by others sent 2,925 pounds of sugar to the Orphanage at Thanksgiving.

Rev. C. W. Black in his home on the night of Dec. 24, united in marriage Miss Wilma Carter to his son, Robert Eugéné Black.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS AND BIG BUSINESS

There are many big business concerns in our country. When we speak of big business we think of a firm of large financial resources. We think of a company that does business over a large territory. We think of a business that has many employees, many customers and many stockholders.

Mississippi Baptists are in BIG BUSINESS.

Mississippi Baptists have large financial resources. Among Mississippi Baptists are many people of large means. And many of these are faithful in their financial obligations to God's work. And although all of us do not give as God has commanded us, yet last year we contributed to State and Southwide causes a total of \$354,000.

We have in Mississippi four schools with a total valuation of \$3,427,216. This includes endowment as well as buildings and equipment.

We have a share in the Southern Baptist Hospital at New Orleans. It is valued at \$1,670,369 and last year returned as dividends a total of \$86,748 in charity work.

We have an orphanage that has property and assets of \$255,000. It is helping to rear approximately 175 boys and girls.

The past year Mississippi Baptists aided in building 32 churches throughout Mississippi. They also aided 70 churches in supporting their pastors. Fourteen colleges were aided in their program of Bible study.

On our Home Mission fields Mississippi Baptists helped in the support of 400 missionaries. We also aided in supplying the Home Mission Board with \$560,168.09 for the purpose of carrying on its work.

Mississippi Baptists also have a share in supporting the Foreign Mission Board. Last year this Board had 467 missionaries on 15 foreign fields located in various parts of the world. We also shared in providing \$1,326,802.95 for the activities of the Foreign Mission Board during the past year.

We also share in the ownership of three seminaries: The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville; the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth and the Baptist Bible Institute at New Orleans. They have combined assets of approximately \$7,519,000.

We own the Baptist Hospital at Jackson. It is valued at \$433,904.19 and treated 6,661 patients last year. It also returned as dividends \$85,806.68 in charity work. And about the same amount of free medical service was contributed by the medical staff.

We are in BIG BUSINESS over a large territory. Our missionaries are all over the world. There is never an hour of the day or night that some Southern Baptist is not preaching or teaching the gospel in some place.

And certainly Mississippi Baptists have many stockholders. Every one is a one-share stockholder in all that Mississippi Baptists are doing all over the world.

But, unlike ordinary business, no Baptist can have more than one share of stock. In business, a person may usually own as many shares of stock as financial resources will permit. But, however rich or poor, learned or illiterate, influential or obscure a Mississippi Baptist may be, one share is the limit.

And our field is the world. Our resources are limitless. We are part of the greatest business in the world. Let us be proud of our business—proud enough to propagate it and support it. AND let our lives be lives that will honor it.

BR

Sunday night, Dec. 14, we preached to an overflowing congregation at the South Laurel Baptist Church. There were three additions. We were called as pastor for an indefinite time. We covet the prayers of all praying Christians.—A. V. Faggard.

BR

The new editor greatly appreciates the large number of congratulatory letters from friends throughout Mississippi, as well as other states. Lack of time prevents replying to all of them, so we hope all our well-wishing friends will accept this "Thank you and God bless you" as our heartfelt reply to their letters.—A. L. Goodrich.

NEW EDITOR BAPTIST RECORD



A. L. Goodrich

The elevation of Rev. A. L. Goodrich from the position of Circulation Manager to Editor and Circulation Manager of The Baptist Record, was a well-earned promotion.

He has friends in every section of the State and is thoroughly acquainted with the Baptist people and their denominational plan of action.

Brother Goodrich came to The Baptist Record January 1, 1935, when the circulation totalled 4,001. On December 15, 1941, the circulation totalled 25,205. While other Baptist Record, pastors, churches and Convention Board helpers had a hand in this, it is generally known that large measure of the credit is due to Brother Goodrich. He has been almost boundless in energy and enthusiasm in his work.

Rev. Goodrich is a native of North Carolina, studied at Wake Forest College, Southern Baptist Seminary and Vanderbilt University. He was pastor at Porter Memorial Church, Lexington, Kentucky, before coming to the pastorate at Pontotoc. He has editorial experience on two college papers, as well as one county paper.

He merits the support of all Mississippi Baptists.
D. A. McCALL.

BR

Blue Mountain, Miss.—In the November, 1941, issue of the bulletin of the National Education Association appeared an article by Professor David E. Guyton of Blue Mountain, entitled "Let's Tie Up Teaching with Everyday Living." The editorial staff of the bulletin has just notified Professor Guyton that in a nationwide ranking of the articles appearing in that some issue his article was rated first in both interest and appeal.

A few weeks ago Unity Church, Leakesville, Mississippi, ordained a young minister, D. V. Hillman. Officiating at the examination were: Rev. Paul Ball, Ellisville, Rev. M. E. Haddon and Rev. M. W. Ball, Leakesville. Brother Green of Ellisville delivered the ordination sermon. This is the second young man this church has ordained within the last two years. Our prayers are for these noble young men.

The work at Mashulaville and Concord in Noxubee County is moving along nicely. We have been blessed during 1941 and are entering 1942 prayerfully and hopefully. The budget for both churches has been planned and adopted. Both have voted to go into the ministerial retirement plan.—M. Glenn Smith, pastor.

The paid circulation of "The Commission" has now reached 31,015, according to a recent telegram from Circulation Manager Archibald M. McMillan. We congratulate Brother McMillan, Foreign Mission Board workers and the approximately two hundred foreign missionaries at home who have aided in this work.

A Cuban Baptist church in Colon, Cuba, has sent forth its first missionary, according to Rev. Enrique Pina, pastor. Three years ago Miss Lucila Franquez was converted. Last year she married Rev. Jose Prado, and is now a missionary in Costa Rica with her husband.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

Belzoni

"Will bring you about seventy-five subscriptions next week."—W. L. Compere, Belzoni, Miss.
(How we do enjoy reading such refreshing literature.—A. L. G.)

Read in another column the marvelous progress being made at Belzoni. And, of course, we knew that it wouldn't be long after Pastor Compere got to Belzoni before the EVERY FAMILY plan would be in operation.

Humphrey County now has Record subscribers listed as follows: BELZONI 77; Isola 1; Louise 1; Silver City 2.

We Gladly Correct This Error

In a recent issue of The Record we gave the circulation in Leake County. We made an error concerning Mt. Carmel Church. The correct number is 30.

A Young Man—An Old Subscriber

Rev. O. C. Chance of Braxton and Harrisville told us recently that he was only forty years of age but that he had been a subscriber to The Record for 25 years. We also note that he soon puts the EVERY FAMILY plan in operation soon after becoming pastor of a church. That means that Harrisville will be in soon. Braxton had the EF plan when he became pastor.

An Inspiring Letter

Dear Bro. Goodrich:

I succeeded in getting Shady Grove Church to accept the Every Family plan for The Record and I am enclosing names and addresses.

I also got them to accept the retirement annuity plan and storehouse tithing.

I have enjoyed these five months serving as pastor at Shady Grove and in giving it up leave many good friends. Will you pray with me that I may get another work as I love to preach the gospel and intend doing so.

Your friend and brother,

W. M. TABB,
Wesson, Mississippi.

(Bro. Tabb was too modest to include in this letter that they have also collected sufficient funds to purchase pews. Shady Grove is one of the prettiest country churches in Mississippi.—A. L. G.)

WANTED

More Letters Like This One

"I am enclosing 36 names and payment for same. Please send The Baptist Record on the EF plan to them."—T. L. Clark, Secretary and Treasurer, Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Lincoln County.

—BR—

Dr. Norris Gilliam, for the past ten months circulation manager of the Baptist and Reflector (Tennessee), and Director of Promotion for the Tennessee Baptist Convention, has accepted the pastorate of Lockeland Baptist Church, Nashville.

We recently had a very successful Bible study at Calvary Church in Columbus. Elder Hugh Tully of Wylan Church at Birmingham, Ala., was with us. Each evening he brought us strong messages on the Seven Dispensations and each day on the Tabernacle. Each who attended was greatly enlightened in God's Word.—W. K. Smith.

Clarke College: Among B. S. U. faculty advisers pictured in the current issue of the B. S. U. magazine is Dr. J. E. Wills, Professor of Christianity at Clarke College.

We lost the address: As the recent Convention Board meeting someone gave us two names to add to their EVERY FAMILY list. The names were: Mrs. Christine Vinson and John A. Evans or Enon. We failed to write down the address. Please send us these addresses.

CHRISTMAS AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BILOXI, AND KEESLER FIELD, U. S. AIR SCHOOL By Mrs. G. C. Hodge

Sunday, December 7, 2:30 p. m., our regular service in Beauvoir Hospital. Only today it was different. As we arrived we were told of the attack on Pearl Harbor, and a new seriousness is observed on the faces of the twenty-seven boys and nine girls taking part in the service. We are in war! One felt the presence of the Holy Spirit as they testified of their faith in and reliance upon the Saviour to be with them wherever they should be called to go. (And some have already gone.) A snapshot in memory: Aged, infirm veterans of one war on one side and the other the flower of our youth shadowed by another war.

"Yuletide Memories," a Christmas Cantata by Wilson, was given by our church choir on Dec. 21, in which a number of boys from Keesler Field assisted. In large part it was Scripture set to music and was enjoyed by a large congregation.

"Silent Night, Holy Night," had been sounding out for weeks and on Christmas Eve we went caroling after early prayer meeting. On the partially completed runway at Keesler Field the citizens of Biloxi gave a Christmas tree party and dance. This made us dubious as to the number we could expect. Our hearts rejoiced when about one hundred came to prayer meeting, and sixty in all went caroling. Not having enough cars, my group of fifteen walked, taking those close in. Near the end of our itinerary, we rested in the hospitable Lutz home and admired Santa's handiwork, and partook of fruit cake and soft drinks. Boys from Wisconsin, Michigan and Iowa admired the roses blooming in the Kelly garden and enjoyed the date loaf served them.

Carolers in cars converged on the Latimer home "Across the Bay." The spacious living room was crowded as fifty sat in rows on the floor. Bill Dedrick led the praise and testimony service when three of the boys accepted Christ as Saviour and Lord.

Christmas Day a group of twenty went with the pastor to broadcast. They proceeded to Long Beach where they held a service for the pastor's mother.

Five boys in khaki away from home at Christmas for the first time—they were our guests for Christmas dinner. For one of them it was also his birthday. If they thought of home, and we of our boy in camp in another state—there was praise to God for past and present blessings and for Christian fellowship.

Open house on Christmas at the pastor's home lasted from 2 until 9. The rain kept us indoors and busy with table games in the afternoon with active games later. The chow line passed through the kitchen at 6:30, followed by the clean-up squad. Gradually the mountain of raincoats, overcoats and military hats on the guest room bed and tables melted away, and Christmas was over.

Missing familiar faces, our inquiry brought this reply: Gone to Denver to clerical school; sent to radio school in Illinois; gone to armorer's school at Denver. And so they pass from us. Praise God for the fine ones who have fellowshiped with us and who have found the Saviour while sojourning in our midst.

Familiar sights: Two groups of 50 boys each alighting from the train on Christmas Eve—and any other eve; a long convoy of empty trucks; another group sent away.

The boy's class in the Young People's department now has 250 to 300 each Sunday. Two accepted Christ during the morning service Sunday. One accepted Christ in the pastor's study Christmas night.

W. M. S. circles are serving in turn the weekly socials on Saturday night and many tempting

FACTS ABOUT THE BAPTIST HOUR

Dr. Truett's great message last Sunday covered nearly all the South and much of the North. Who can tell the millions who were blessed! Here are some facts about the Baptist Hour you are interested in:

Fact 1. The speaker for the last three Sundays in January is Dr. Theodore F. Adams of Richmond. His subject is "The Home." He is eminently qualified to speak on this subject. We are fortunate.

Fact 2. Thirty-one stations in sixteen states are broadcasting the program of the Baptist Hour giving almost complete coverage of the South and a good portion of the North. Nearby stations carrying this program are KWKH, Shreveport; WBRC, Birmingham; WREC, Memphis; WSLI, Jackson.

Fact 3. All of these stations are carrying our programs without station charge to us. Thus they extend to Southern Baptists a great courtesy.

Fact 4. All of these stations are on a network. It is a live broadcast. It is not a transcription proposition.

Fact 5. Four of the stations carrying our program are Clear Channel stations which give coverage not only to their immediate territory, but to much of rural America which does not otherwise have satisfactory Radio service. They are WSM, WHAS, WSB and WFAA.

Fact 6. By order of the Birmingham Convention the expense of the Baptist Hour together with other expenses of the program for this year are to be met by the proceeds of a special offering from the churches and from individuals. The ability of the Radio Committee to meet the bills of the Baptist Hour satisfactorily will be determined by the response of the churches. Nearly half the expense of the Baptist Hour will be due on February 1. Hence, it will greatly help for the pastors and other church leaders to give the churches an opportunity to make some offering to this cause in January. All remittances to this fund are to be forwarded to the respective State Secretaries and they in turn will forward the amount to the Treasurer of the Baptist Hour.

—BR—

M. C. BOY AND B. M. C. GIRL WED

"When a boy from Mississippi College weds a girl from B. M. C.,
Tis then the strains of Dixie have their sweetest melody."

Christmas morning Daniel L. Skilton, Mississippi College Choctaw, and Miss Lillian May, Blue Mountain College girl, were married at Blue Mountain by Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr., their pastor, in his study. Miss Mary Frances Skilton, sister of the groom, stood with the young couple.

Mrs. Skilton, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. May, of Blue Mountain, received her education in the Blue Mountain high school and Blue Mountain College.

Mr. Skilton, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Skilton, of Blue Mountain, was graduated from Blue Mountain high school and attended Mississippi College.

Immediately after the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Skilton left for Baltimore, Maryland, where he is in the service of the Glenn C. Martin Company. He has received three promotions since entering this service.

—BR—

Dr. Maddy Safe: After his eventful visit to the Board's mission in Hawaii, Dr. Charles E. Maddy arrived by Clipper in San Francisco December 14. Our hearts are grateful that his life and that of our fifteen missionaries on the islands have been protected. The Board is looking forward to expanding the work in that important area.

—BR—

Recently a chaplain told us regretfully that most of the Army officers he knew paid little or no attention to religious affairs. He said that about six out of ninety-five attended services. Many other days of prayer seem to be needed.

combinations have been used: Italian spaghetti and coffee; hot chocolate and cookies; coffee and doughnuts; chocolate and sandwiches.

NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

I

During 1941 we paid for \$106,400 in bonds plus \$30,000 interest. Total \$136,400 in this account. We have paid this amount through your participation. We borrowed no money in doing this.

We should take up \$100,000 in bonds June 1, and \$100,000 in bonds December 1, 1942.

Should we do this we will be ON SCHEDULE with our three-year NOW CLUB plan.

It will take heroic living and giving to do it, BUT, Mississippi Baptists have not really hit their stride as yet!

Send it in! We will place it as you direct!

"Speak to the people that they go forward."—Exodus 14:15.

II

One of the lamentations found in the Book of Jeremiah is that the people of God "went backward and not forward." Jeremiah 7:24. No wonder the heart of the prophet ached! The heart of Jehovah must have hurt!

God turned our toes forward! God set our eyes in the front of the head!

"Speak to the people, that they go forward," (Exodus 14:15) has been a mighty stimulus to us since it first came to our attention.

God Almighty is the God of Progress, not of retrogression! He is the God bent upon Success, and not attuned to failure!

He did not bathe the body of His own Son on the Tree for His people for His people to fail!

Our God marches on!

Let His people march with Him!

III

A layman sends another \$1,000 for the Now Club. This check makes his total to Now Club stand at \$5,000. We regret we must withhold his name. What a doxology in our hearts he causes!

Other large and small contributions continue!

Since writing the above lines that fine layman sends another \$1,000 check for Now Club making his total \$6,000. Doxology! His wife shares in the contributions.

IV

Tallahatchie Association: Friendship Church No. 1. The church agreed Sunday, December 14, to become responsible for \$50 in the three years. Will pay one-third of it in January 1942. One member of Friendship church pledged \$36 through the Charleston church which will be transferred to Friendship church. This member is Miss Mildred Sepp.

Mt. Pisgah church in the same association apportioned \$150, pledged \$172. Have paid \$102.50 already. What Mt. Pisgah will overpay will make up what Friendship church will lack.

Panola County Association: Pope church subscribed full apportionment and will pay it monthly.

V

Sam Cochran from Clara church said they were to have visitation in their church every third Sunday in each month. Asked for tracts to give out as they visit. Their pastor is Rev. V. R. Meadows. Mr. Cochran is chairman of the Board of Deacons.

VI

No. 3299 for \$36, Glendale church in Alcorn County (Mrs. Joslin, worker).

No. 3505 for \$36, No. 3506 for \$36, Meadville in Franklin County (Hightower, field worker).

No. 3300 for \$36, No. 3301 for \$36, No. 3302 for \$36, Leaf in Greene County (B. C. Daughdrill, worker).

No. 3303 for \$36, No. 569 for \$50, Pine Level in Greene County (W. M. S.).

No. 3304 for \$40, Jackson First, in Hinds-Warren.

No. 3297 for \$36, Jackson First, in Hinds-Warren.

No. 3305 for \$36 from Toomsaba in Lauderdale.

No. 3298 for \$36 from Brookhaven in Lincoln County.

No. 47 for \$1,000, No. 48 for \$1,000.

No. 568 for \$50 plus \$14, No. 628 for \$100, Center Hill in Monroe County (J. C. Pinnix, worker).

No. 3306 for \$36, New Ireland in Newton County (M. O. Barefoot, worker).

No. 3307 for \$36, No. 3308 for \$36, No. 3309 for \$36, No. 3310 for \$36, Philadelphia in Neshoba County (M. B. Henley, worker).

No. 3311 for \$36, Pontotoc in Pontotoc County.

No. 3312 for \$36, Antioch in Simpson.

CONVENTION BOARD MEETS MAKES PLANS FOR 1942

The annual meeting of the Executive Board of the Mississippi Baptist Convention was held in the First Baptist Church of Jackson on December 15th, opening at 3:00 o'clock p. m.

"Faith of Our Fathers" was sung under the leadership of W. L. Day.

A devotional message was brought by S. H. Jones, based on Dan. 3:17-18.

The Board was duly organized by the election of the following officers: John D. Davis, President; J. D. Ray, Vice President; D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary and Treasurer, and Walton E. Lee, Recording Secretary.

Adhering to a long established custom those present having special requests and matters to be presented to the Board were given at this time the privilege of doing so.

The Committee on Budget made the following report through J. D. Franks, which after a prolonged discussion was adopted:

Report of Committee on State Mission Budget

We, your committee on State Mission Budget recommend the following:

1. That we adopt as the percentage allocation of the Cooperative Program receipts the following percentages:

40% for Southwide causes; 60% for State causes, the State allocation to be divided on the basis—25% for State Missions, 25% for Christian Education, 6% for the Orphanage, 3% Ministerial Education and 1% for the Baptist Hospital.

2. That we set as our maximum budget for State Missions a total of \$50,000.

3. That this budget be distributed as follows:

Board meetings	\$1,000.00
Fixed expenses	270.00
Convention expenses	250.00
Retirement for ministers	8,800.00
Retirement for Board employees	1,500.00
Retirement for clerical expenses	780.00
Evangelistic conference	650.00
Wills and bequests activities	225.00
Historical Society	25.00
B. T. U. Department	5,000.00
Sunday School Department	7,500.00
B. S. U. Work	4,600.00
Pastoral support	8,800.00
Church buildings	3,000.00
Evangelistic department	5,800.00
Indian and Negro	900.00
W. M. U. Camps	500.00
Brotherhood	400.00

Adopted by the Committee, December 15, 1941.

J. D. FRANKS,
W. R. COOPER,
S. H. JONES,
R. D. PEARSON,
B. B. HILBUN,
C. Z. HOLLAND.

Members of the Convention Board Executive Committee and Education Commission for 1942 are as follows

John D. Davis, President; Walton E. Lee, Recording Secretary; J. D. Ray, W. A. Hewitt, R. D. Pearson, Mark Lowry, J. B. Parker, and G. C. Hodge.

Mr. Auber J. Wilds of the B. T. U. Department was re-elected and he and his department were commended for their work.

Mr. E. C. Williams, Mr. John Farmer and Miss Carolyn Madison of the Sunday School Department

\$36, No. 3310 for \$36, Philadelphia in Neshoba County (M. B. Henley, worker).

No. 3311 for \$36, Pontotoc in Pontotoc County.

No. 3312 for \$36, Antioch in Simpson.

No. 550 for \$50, Friendship No. 1 in Tallahatchie County (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 629 for \$100, No. 71 for \$500, Senatobia in Tate County (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 3313 for \$36, No. 3314 for \$36, No. 3315 for \$36, Tylertown in Walthall County (H. S. Scott, worker).

No. 605 for \$50, Oak Grove in Yazoo County (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 603 for \$50, Providence in Yazoo County (McLaurin, field worker).

No. 604 for \$50, Sort Creek in Yazoo County (McLaurin, field worker).

ment were re-elected, and highly commended for their work.

Brother A. L. Goodrich was elected, by ballot, Editor and Circulation Manager of The Baptist Record. D. A. McCall was elected as Business Manager of The Baptist Record.

The following report from the Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Union meeting elsewhere in the city was presented by Mrs. Webb Brame. On motion of the Secretary the report is adopted:

Report of the Executive Committee of W. M. U.

We, the Executive Board of the Woman's Missionary Union, send you greetings and wish to express our gratitude for your consideration at all times concerning our program as laborers together.

We have nominated Miss Fannie Traylor as Executive Secretary, and Miss Edwina Robinson as Young People's Secretary of Woman's Missionary Union for the year 1942, to be elected by your Board. We are asking for a budget of \$9,000, the same amount you granted for 1941.

Report of Committee on Student Work

Amount allocated in the budget -----\$4,600.00

Suggested allocations:

M. S. C. W.	600.00
Mississippi State	800.00
University of Mississippi	800.00
Delta State	150.00
Jones County Junior College	400.00
Mississippi Southern	700.00

TOTAL -----\$3,450.00

We recommend: That \$1,150 be made available for the employment of a Student Union Secretary and that the matter of employing a Secretary be referred to our Executive Secretary and the Executive Committee of the Board.

(Signed) H. W. ROBERSON,
S. P. POWELL,
F. G. WILBORN,
E. D. HURST,
N. A. EDMONDS,
W. L. HOLCOMB,
J. B. FLOWERS,
S. H. JONES.

Some 30 churches were given building aid.

Some 50 or more churches were given pastoral support.

The Evangelistic Committee, The Baptist Record Committee, and the Board as a whole gave generous appreciation regarding the work of the Executive Secretary of the Convention Board.

The Board empowered the Executive Committee with authority in any possible refinancing program looking toward a savings in interest.

An additional step was taken in the interest of securing a Brotherhood Secretary.

The Soldier work is referred to the Executive Committee.

The Executive Secretary was authorized to employ an auditor for the various institutions in 1942, as this year.

BR

Among recent visitors to The Baptist Record

office were: Rev. and Mrs. Willis Brown, Ft. Bragg, N. C.; Dr. A. A. Kitchings, Clinton; Rev. Guy Little, Pinola; Rev. H. W. Roberson, Brandon; Rev. N. S. Jackson, Rev. L. V. Young, Clinton; Mr. Fred Langley, Jackson; Rev. Lucien Pinnix, Jacksonville, N. C.; Henry Love, First Baptist Church, Jackson; Chaplain J. A. Bryant, Camp Gordon, Ga.; James Foster and Lyn Frank Campbell, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. Wayne Todd, Rev. Jim Smith, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. W. L. Compere, Belzoni; Rev. J. C. Wells, Lafayette, La.; Rev. A. B. Pierce, Crystal Springs, Miss.; Rev. B. E. Phillips, Newhebron, Miss.; Rev. W. S. Landrum, Clinton.

BR

She (to husband after employing a gardener): "Why did you want me to hire a short man? The tall man had such a kind face."

Husband: "My dear, when you pick a man to work in your garden, judge him by his overalls. If they're patched on the knees, you want him; if they're patched on the seat, you don't."

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS," I Cor. 13:8b

"I WILL BUILD MY HOUSE," Jesus, in Matt. 16:18

"A good thing to remember,
And a better thing to do,
Is work with the construction gang,
Not with the wreckin' crew."

FOR THE NEW YEAR

Give me, dear Lord, this dawning year
A seeing eye, a listening ear,
An open mind; and give me, too,
A good, warm heart, both strong and true;
A sturdy strength to bear my load;
A love of life, its winding road,
Although it leads my feet away
From heart's desire—for this I pray.

And give to me that which I need
To be a friend, in word and deed,
To those I meet along life's way,
With whom I work (or rest or play);
And always may my thoughts be kind,
And sometimes may my eyes be blind
That in my fellows quickly see
The very faults that lie in me.

And then, dear Lord, I pray of Thee,
Some good, true friends, that I may be
Among the blest, and may they see,
Beyond the bad, the good in me;
Someone to love and serve and spend
My strength upon, till day shall end.

—LAMAR.

Soldier Service

Have you made a contribution to our work among the Soldiers and Defense workers?
Have your church and Sunday school given?
Has the money been sent to this office? We will need to know the amount available when the Executive Committee meets January 13.

II

Baptist Soldier Service

We have two men working around Camp Shelby. We have helped on a Mission church building at Pascagoula. We have helped equip a lounge and recreational rooms at two places. We hope to grant the request of Biloxi with a full-time man. Columbus is asking Mississippi Baptists to help there. We need, at least, part-time men at Meridian, Jackson, Flora, Greenville, and the C. C. C. Camps. We have a part-time service at Jackson. Your gifts will determine the scope of our service in Christ!

If you need more offering envelopes, write this office.

III

In this day of chaos, war, and mass destruction, it occurs to us a good slogan for the people of Christ throughout 1942 would be, "I WILL BUILD HIS CHURCH."

"I resolve this year to work at Building His Church."

Jesus was active, in the Trinity, in building the universe. Genesis 1. John 1. Hebrews 1. Amos 9:6.

He doubtless wrought at the carpenter's bench in Nazareth.

His great work in building is and remains in the realm of His Church.

We are workers together with God (II Cor. 6:2), in building His Church.

See I Cor. 3:9-23.

Churches are built!

Churches are grown!

Ephesians 2:19-22, and 4:1-16. Note verse 16.

His churches are built from (1) without, by (a) transfer of membership, and (b) soul-winning.

His churches are built from within, through the

cultivation and growth of the members of His church.

"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." II Peter 3:18. See Ephesians 6:1-24, Philippians 4:8, and II Cor. 8:7-15.

For growth, there must be the principle of life. "Ye must be born again." There must be proper atmosphere, food and exercise.—"BUT GROW."

IV

Closing 1941 dates:

The Board staff members enjoyed a banquet at Clarke Memorial as the guests of President May and the College. Faculty members and many students were present. The student body is large. The buildings have been reworked and painted. A fine spirit prevails.

Our staff members had a Merry Christmas party of their own following the daily prayer hour.

We looked in on First church, Columbus, making preparation for an opening service for soldiers. The rooms were nicely furnished. A large party was in attendance. Our Baptist people ARE ministering more and more to the soldiers.

We were delighted to meet many friends in the service at Clarksdale. They are happily looking forward to the coming of Dr. J. A. Stewart and his family. We are indebted to Brother W. V. Jenkins for courtesies. Blessings upon him and them!

Coldwater Baptist Church, Neshoba County, J. W. Burnett, pastor, and Brother B. E. Turner in charge had a real all-day Christmas service, dinner on the ground, Tuesday before Christmas. We brought some messages: Salvation, Matt. 1. Goodwill, Luke 2. Governor of the nations, Isa. 9, and Self-renunciation, Phil. 2.

The house was packed as Second Baptist Church, Pascagoula, was duly constituted. Brother Reeves presided. Brother J. L. Morgan was called as pastor. Pastors Green and Goldman were present to help. We were privileged to speak on "Building His Church."

Mississippi Baptists have put many hundreds of dollars into the Pascagoula field and it has fruited and flowered to the Glory of God, and the good of the people. The end is not yet!

Dr. L. E. Green is leading First Church in a comprehensive program. They are well on the way toward completing the great building program, and have on hand over \$6,000 cash. "God's plane of finance has done it," they say.

His way is always best.

The page has been turned to 1942!

V

Another rural church goes forward.

"The church at Liberty Hill has now been working under the budget adopted when you were there the 21st of September, and have given about \$75 earmarked for the Cooperative Program. This is over against \$28.50 for the whole of last year, to all causes.

"We have had two training schools there, and about twenty awards have gone to this church.

"Pray for us, and the blessings of God upon you and your work.

"Yours in Christ,

"C. C. PERRY."

VI

Question: Might Convention Board Office, W. M. U. Office, and Baptist Record expense be properly called "State Mission" expense?

Answer: We do not see how it could properly be called that when these three agencies have much to do with collecting and disbursing monies for all causes as Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Orphanage, etc.

VII

Correction: Laymen's Day is October 18, rather than the date published. Please make the change on your calendar.

VIII

We have the 1941 Convention annuals ready. If you care for one write us. They are in a nice blue cover.

IX

Typical of Fred Langley, volunteer in the Soldier and Defense Projects Department, is his note left in the office, "I am ready to go anywhere, any time, on any kind of mission. Call on me, day or night."

When a man with impaired health takes that

attitude, how may we do less?

X

Dennis, Miss.

To Mississippi Baptists:

We, the Mount Zion Baptist Church, wish to thank you for the 1941 help you gave us through the Board. We think we can make it through this year by ourselves.

Wishing to thank you again, I am

Your sister in Christ,

MRS. OLLIE FLEMING.

IX

Calvary Baptist Church, Warren County, Glen Miller, pastor, has adopted church goals as follows:

1. Every member a Christian.
2. Enlist at least three-fourths of church members in B. T. U. and Sunday School.
3. Every member has a place to serve.
4. Family worship in each home.
5. Every member taking study course each year.
6. Every member at worship service.
7. Every member a tither.
8. Every member a booster.
9. Every member a soul-winner.
10. Each pupil studying lesson.
11. Every member at prayer service.
12. Increase Daily Bible readings.

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DR. J. D. GREY WILL ADDRESS JONES COUNTY BROTHERHOOD

On January 16th at 6:30 the Jordanic tribe of Jones County and the nearby communities, represented by their "Brotherhoods," will meet with the First Baptist Church, Laurel, Miss. Dr. J. D. Grey of New Orleans will be the feature speaker. The first half hour will be given to eats and fellowship, followed by reports and business, then the inspirational address, then back home with the slogan "A Brotherhood in Every Association and in Every Church." We are expecting 300 men.

L. G. GATES, Pastor,

First Baptist Church, Laurel, Miss.

—BR—

Camp Shelby, Miss., December 11, 1941

Dear Friends,

We, who enjoyed your generous hospitality, wish to extend to you all, our deepest gratitude and thanks, for a lovely week-end in Jackson.

We are sure that we could not have had as pleasant or "home-like" atmosphere anywhere else. It really was quite a thrill to all of us to be able to associate with all of you, especially so many children and young people.

Even though the whole world is in war, we know that we only have to look to our Lord Jesus for strength and guidance. "He is able" to keep us in the circle of His love.

May you all enjoy a very Merry Christmas, and a highly joyous New Year.

Yours very sincerely,

SGT. ROBINSON, Co. A.

PVT. WHITE, CO. A.

PVT. GARRARD, CO. A.

PVT. FARLOW, CO. C.

PVT. WEBBER, CO. A.

PVT. DRAKE, CO. B.

PVT. WISDOM, CO. C.

CORP. MAYHEW, CO. A.

This letter was written to W. G. Mize, superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage after these young men had the privilege of spending the week-end there while in Jackson.

(This article was the first one submitted to the newly-elected Editor of The Baptist Record. It was handed us as the committee reported.)

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Pachuta, Mississippi: The Pachuta Intermediate Baptist Training Union presented a pageant, "The Road to Christmas," Wednesday, December 17, at mid-week prayer service. This pageant, that was taken from "The Baptist Training Union Magazine," was directed by Mrs. H. E. McCormack, leader.

Inconsistent Christianity in America is a definite handicap in winning the Chinese to Christ, according to Miss Viola Campbell, Home Board worker among the Chinese in El Paso.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

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A news note that will be of special interest to the readers of this page is that the offerings for the Lottie Moon Season of Prayer for December, 1941, have gone beyond what was sent in December, 1940. That year \$6,261.54 was sent, December, 1941, \$7,629.11. This is a good indication of a much larger offering than a year ago. Those of you who have not sent your offering to Dr. McCall yet, please do so at your earliest convenience.

Our institutes for the study of the Year Book are already in progress and will continue until January 23rd. Dr. J. R. Mott said last November, "The present is a time of rising spiritual tide throughout the entire world." I believe our getting together in these meetings will contribute to that tide. The date of all the meetings are given below.

The next meeting of importance is the institute for the study of the Year Book that will be held nearest you. We are especially fortunate this year in having Miss Wilma Bucy, Home Board field worker, with us. She knows W. M. U. methods in a peculiar way since she is the author of "The New Why and How of W. M. U." Then we are to have an extra feature this year for our R. A. counselors. Mr. Ivyloy Bishop will be with us and will have a conference with all R. A. counselors. Do not fail to bring your R. A. leaders. The meeting begins promptly at 9:45 and closes at 2:30. You will bring your lunch, your notebook and attend the meeting nearest you. Take special note of dates and places.

We need new recruits in the Lord's work to proclaim God's love plan to the world. Encourage your new women to attend and spend the day with us.

Hope you have a good season of prayer for Foreign Missions. I know you will be faithful to mark it for the Lottie Moon Offering and mail to Dr. D. A. McCall. Do not wait too long to do this.

Institute dates and places:

- January 5, Quitman.
- January 6, Hattiesburg (Immanuel).
- January 7, Moss Point.
- January 8, Monticello.
- January 9, Meadville.
- January 12, Philadelphia.
- January 13, Eupora.
- January 14, Columbus (First Church).
- January 15, Booneville.
- January 16, New Albany.
- January 19, Hernando.
- January 20, Clarksdale.
- January 21, Duck Hill.
- January 22, Leland.
- January 23, Jackson (Calvary).

Circle Program Material Printed In January Home Missions

An invaluable aid in planning circle programs in January is the Home Mission Board magazine, *Southern Baptist Home Missions*, in which are two refreshing articles written especially for circle programs.

These articles, "Fishing for Men at Isleta," by Seferino Jojola, and "A Soldier on Leave," by Matias C. Garcia, provide material for the circle program theme, "The Witness Himself (Consecration)."

These are two human interest stories of consecrated missionaries which gave an insight into their soul-winning work. Brother Jojola, an Indian missionary in New Mexico, tells of his fruitful though toilsome work for his Master in winning the people of his own native pueblo. He describes his patient fishing for the souls of his people who have so long been caught in the lake of idolatry and superstition.

Brother Garcia reports in his own way the story

of a revival in New Orleans.

A full account carried in this issue of the annual meeting of the Home Mission Board sounds a hopeful, victorious note as many signs of progress were indicated. Activities of two new departments inaugurated during the year and definite prospects that all debts will be retired before the centennial year of 1945 were chief among the optimistic notes sounded.

Six books on Cuba, first graded series ever published by the Home Mission Board, will be brought from the press by January 15, 1942, it has been announced by the Board's publicity department.

Publication of the Cuban series at this time is unusually timely, since beginning in the spring of 1942 the mission topic to which Christian leaders throughout the nation will be giving attention will be mission work in the Latin-American fields.

The complete list of titles is as follows:

A Baptist Generation in Cuba, by M. N. McCall. 128 pages. Forty cents. For adults.

Meet the Youth of Cuba, by Herbert Caudill. 128 pages. Forty cents. For young people.

Dear Margaret, by Gloria Young and Mrs. H. R. Moseley. 128 pages. Forty cents. For intermediates.

Tia Tells a Story, by Mildred Matthews. Sixty-four pages. Twenty-five cents. For juniors.

Carmita of Cuba, by Marjorie Jacob Caudill. Sixty-four pages. Twenty-five cents. For primaries.

Cuba—Leader's Resource Book edited by Una Roberts Lawrence. This book provides helps for teachers on the entire series.

Unique Feature Incorporated

A unique feature in this Cuban series is that each book of the five for classroom use is a reading book, all helps for teachers for the entire series being placed in the **Resource Book**.

The children's book, **Carmita of Cuba**, is a delightful little story of a girl in a Cuban home, the characters being from real life on the field in Regla where Mrs. Caudill has worked for eleven years. Children of primary and older ages will delight in reading this charming story and in doing the handwork on the concluding pages.

Miss Matthews gives from life ten stories, each one of which will greatly interest boys and girls of junior age. While reading the stories the pupils will also learn many things of Cuban mission work about which Miss Matthews can speak authoritatively after more than twenty years on the island.

The intermediate book is a collaboration between Mrs. H. R. Moseley, who has spent a generation in Cuba, and Gloria Young (Mrs. A. C. Seawell), editor of the Boys and Girls' page of the Baptist Standard. Around Mrs. Moseley's letters home from the mission field has been woven by Gloria Young a beautiful story of a girl in the States who wants to give her life to Cuban missions. Intermediates will find their interest in Cuba growing as they catch the contagious spirit of Margaret Gaynor in her desire to be a missionary.

A living panorama of Cuban youth at home, at school, and at work is given by Herbert Caudill in **Meet the Youth of Cuba**. This is truly a different, human book as it gives an insight into the life of the young people of another land.

Dr. McCall Relates History

The adult book is a historical treatment of mission work in Cuba under Dr. McCall's administration which has dated from 1905. It is somewhat of a semi-autobiography, although the author makes no effort to give a chronological sketch of his ministry. He simply relates the story of Cuban missions, giving as would be nec-

essary his own intimate associations with that missionary activity.

This entire series of books on Cuba has been edited by the Board's publicity secretary, Rev. Joe W. Burton, and the mission study editor, Mrs. Una Roberts Lawrence, in which editorial work they have been assisted in volunteer service by a number of leading W. M. U., Sunday School and B. T. U. leaders and outstanding pastors. In the **Resource Book** Mrs. Lawrence has had the assistance of other volunteer workers who supplied helps for the different books in the series.

The artist of the series who has prepared all the covers and some of the illustrations is Mrs. Jesse L. Childers of Kansas City. A Cuban boy, Francisco Alou, convert of mission work at Regla, has done some of the illustrations for **Carmita of Cuba**.

The entire series is profusely illustrated, four books with new pictures of Cuba and the primary book with line drawings.

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PAUL C. BELL MARRIED ON EVE OF DEPARTURE FOR PANAMA

The marriage of Rev. Paul C. Bell, new superintendent of the Home Board's mission work in Panama, has been announced in Greenville, S. C. Miss Minnie Gladys Harmon became the missionary's bride on November 14 in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Harmon.

Brother Bell and his wife took up their new work in Panama January 1. He will be in charge of mission activities among the native Panamanians.

The new superintendent in Panama is being transferred by the Home Board from Texas where he has been a worker among the Mexicans since 1912, his appointment by the Home Mission Board in 1919 following six years of service as a missionary of the Texas Mission Board.

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BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE ITEMS

W. W. Hamilton, President, New Orleans, La.

The Correspondence Department under the direction of Prof. E. O. Sellers has the largest enrollment in its history.

The capital debt of the Institute is now \$129,000. We paid \$31,000 last year, though the requirement was only \$14,000.

Missionary H. Leo Eddleman begins his work with the Baptist Bible Institute as Professor of Semitic Languages the first of the year. He is a Mississippian, a son of Rev. R. A. Eddleman. He married a daughter of Rev. Arthur Fox, of Morristown, Tenn.

A Hammond organ is much needed by the Music Department of the Institute. The pipe organ in Managan Chapel is being remodeled through the gift of a friend.

Our Home Coming Week this session will include February 23 to 27. Dr. Ellis Fuller will deliver the Layne lectures, and Mr. Homer Hammondtree will bring the Tharp lectures.

—BR—

The pastor and brethren of Davis Memorial are dreaming of the day when they have a worthy church plant. They are also giving to that end. They have a nice building fund started. Mississippi Baptists will help here as this church is a worship center for our Orphanage.

FIRST HIGH SCHOOL PLANNED—The people on the mission field in Southern Alabama have begun a drive to build a high school.

"This is a significant move," says Rev. R. M. Averitt, Home Board worker on that field, "not only because of the great need for one but because it will be the first high school that the people of this section have ever had."

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

JOHN A. FARMER, Associate Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

January 19-23

The week of January 19-23 should be an epochal week for the Sunday school work in Mississippi this year. It is the week of the special associational meetings when fourteen teams will cover the entire state that week. There will be no Saturday meetings. Each person attending will bring lunch; the host church will furnish drinks only for the lunch hour.

The purpose of these meetings is to give opportunity for all the Sunday school workers of every church and the associational Sunday school officers to study the Sunday school field, set up some definite and practical objectives for the year, and outline plans for reaching them.

The success of these meetings will depend largely upon the attendance. Therefore, it behooves each of us throughout the entire state to do our very best to get our people to attend these meetings. A poster has been sent to each pastor and superintendent in the state with the request that they fill in the date, meeting place, hours of meeting, and attendance goal for that church, and place the poster in a prominent place in the building. The hours of meeting are the same for all Mississippi associations: From 10:00 in the morning to 3:35 in the afternoon.

Honor Roll

A Southwide Honor Roll will be made up of every association that has each church represented and also the church in each association that has the best representation based on church membership. These Honor Roll associations and churches will also appear in The Baptist Record, as well as Southwide bulletins. Use this as a means of getting a fine attendance from each church.

Fine Records

The New Zion church, Choctaw association, has fourteen diploma holders among their Sunday school workers. That is a most excellent record, and far above the average over the country, even including town and city churches. We want to extend our very hearty congratulations to them on this magnificent record.

This year should be our greatest in the number of people getting their Sunday school diplomas. We are now in our eighth year in the new course of Sunday school work, and many of our people have done little or nothing toward their diploma. On the other hand, many lack only one or two books, and should certainly finish up and get the diploma during 1942.

Leaflets giving all the books, together with information about how the work may be done at home as well as in class, may be had free upon request to your state Sunday School Department.

More Good Ones

These Intermediate classes were standard for the entire year that closed September 30: Kingdom Seekers, Double Springs, Mrs. J. M. Scarborough, teacher; Morning Star, Lib-

erty, Mrs. Clinton McGehee, teacher; Builders, Wesson, Mrs. Rex Pearce, teacher.

This is an unusual record and we want to thank these splendid classes and teachers for maintaining this excellent program for a full year without any interruption.

First Beginner

The first standard Beginner department for the new Sunday school year comes to us from the First Church, Grenada. Mrs. A. N. Rayburn is the efficient superintendent of this fine department.

Our goal for 1942 is 10 standard Beginner departments. We now need nine more. Who will be next?

Intermediates Look

A large wall banner will be given to the first Intermediate department in Mississippi that sends in an application for standard award. The following have organized their departments and adopted the standard of excellence as a program of work and are striving to reach the standard: Mrs. L. G. Bowling, 5th Avenue-Hattiesburg; Mrs. Mae Vaughn, Southside-Jackson; Mrs. R. K. Corder, First-Philadelphia; Miss Eugenia C. Dameron, First-Jackson; Mr. W. H. Walsh, First-McComb; Mrs. Roy Smith, Wessons; Miss Harriet Fuller, Southside-McComb; Mrs. Varda Smith, First-New Albany; Mrs. Isom Jones, First-Holly Springs.

Come on, you Intermediate superintendents! Join the parade! Send in your name as one who will strive to reach the standard in 1942!

1942 Standards

All Sunday schools that were standard in 1941, and that now meet all ten points of the standard, are entitled to fill out their application blanks for standard recognition for 1942. It is not necessary to wait any length of time in order to do this if all points are now met. Blanks for making application will be gladly sent to any one free upon request. **Make January standard month.** Get your application to us just as soon as you possibly can and give your school the benefit of enjoying the standard rating for the full year of 1942.

BR Saving And Losing

A man, when asked by a friend how to keep so many people from asking him for gifts, replied:

"Just stop giving, and folks will find out and will soon learn to let you alone."

"What effect will that have on me?"

"Well, as your bank account will grow big, your soul will grow small."

—From the Presbyterian Magazine.

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Little John went to Sunday school for the first time with his grandmother. When he arrived home and was asked what he did, he said:

"Oh, they sang—I do not know what the other children were singing, but I sang 'Yankee Doodle.'"—Zion's Herald.

AN UNUSUAL PROGRAM

By Luther J. Holcomb
Pastor, First Baptist Church
Durant, Oklahoma

The four-year program of the Baptist Sunday School Board working in co-operation with the various state mission boards is meeting with significant success. In our association which is in an agricultural section, we have recently sought to reinforce this program. There are forty-eight churches in this association; however, only five of these have full-time pastors. Many of the churches have been without pastors and we had been unable to enlist more than twelve to fourteen churches in any kind of undertaking.

We called on Rev. J. A. Pennington, a special worker of the Oklahoma Baptist General Convention. Brother Pennington has had extensive experience in planning programs for rural churches. We decided to group the churches of the association in six zones. Plans were made for an all-day meeting in a different zone each day, Monday through Saturday. This special effort was called "Bringing the Program to the Local Church." The following subjects were discussed:

The Place and Value of the Country Church in the Community.

The Place and Value of the Country Church in Our Denominational Life.

The Problems of the Country Church and Their Future Possibilities.

God's Plan of Financing the Country Church.

The Work at Home and Abroad.
The State Paper. Its place and value in our church and denominational life and plans for enlarging its circulation.

There was also a general conference period each afternoon when informal discussion was encouraged. At this time the value of the various organizations of the church were stressed. This period proved helpful.

Rev. J. A. Pennington, along with several local pastors, was responsible for this program. Everyone gave his time, no collections were taken, and the thought of service dominated all discussion.

I commend this program wholeheartedly. Thirty-eight churches were represented in these various meetings with a total attendance of approximately six hundred. It has brought about a spiritual awakening in our association. We are now looking forward to a simultaneous Sunday school enlargement effort under the leadership of Jasper N. Barnette.

BR Showers of Greenbacks

The minister who tells this story vouches for its truthfulness. It happened on an Indian reservation in the east. The chief was making an appeal for a large collection to properly decorate the church for Old Home Week. After he had made his appeal he announced the hymn "Showers of Blessings," but he changed the words to read in this way:

There shall be showers of greenbacks
Showers of greenbacks we need;
Little dimes round us falling
But for the greenbacks we plead.

We guess he got the money.—The Chapel Bell, Auburn.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By
BRACEY CAMPBELL

Lesson For January 11 INFANCY AND BOYHOOD OF JESUS

Bible Texts: Matthew 1 and 2; Luke 1 and 2; Printed text, Luke 2:25-35, 39, 40

Introduction.

Let us give special attention to the miraculous aspects of the birth of Christ, the supernaturalness of the event, as a revelation of the purpose and power and wisdom of God, in ushering His Christ into the world as indeed the sent One, that these manifestations of supernatural power might stand as a testimony to all ages of the deity of Jesus.

I. Events Preceding the Birth of Jesus.

1. The genealogies. Matthew 1:1-17; Luke 3:23-38.

The genealogies are made to conform, each one, to the purpose of the writer. Matthew writes for the Jews with the purpose of furnishing evidence indisputable that Jesus of Nazareth is the King of the Jews promised them through their prophets. Luke writes for the whole race of men, and, therefore carries his genealogy back to Adam.

2. Immediately preceding the birth. Matthew 1:18-25.

Here we are introduced to Joseph, the husband of Mary. All we are told of him is that he was a good man, the village carpenter. He was the betrothed husband of Mary. A betrothal involved a ceremony which was designed to bind the contract-parties as securely as they could be bound. A promise was given in the presence of witnesses, tokens were exchanged, and a benediction was spoken over a cup of wine. Thus a son and daughter of David had become pledged groom and bride.

But an astonishing, perplexing, scandalous thing came to the knowledge of Joseph before he and Mary became actual husband and wife in a consummated marriage. Mary became an expectant mother. Joseph knew that he was not the father of Mary's unborn child and, under the Jewish law, that Mary was punishable by being stoned as an adulteress. Joseph loved Mary and was not willing to denounce her as an adulteress, but was revolving plans for saving her from the consequences of what he thought to be her infidelity to her betrothal vow. He likely thought of sending her away to some secluded place till after the birth of her baby. But while he thought upon this scheme, an angel told him the truth. His betrothed was pure and undefiled, and was to become the mother of the Son of God. Thus enlightened, Joseph took Mary to his house as his wife, and was very tender with her through the period of her delicacy.

3. The visit of the wise men. Matthew 2:1-23.

Read this passage. Who were these wise men? I do not know. Where were they from? We know only that they came from the East. How did they know where to take their journey? A star guided them. Was this a new star, designed only as a sign to these men, or just another

star, assigned by its Master to the work of serving as a sign to these men? No one knows. How did these men know that this star betokened the birth of Israel's King? Perhaps they had read the prophets and were students of the heavens, and concluded that the star was the sign. God could, and perhaps did, communicate with them the truth and give them the sign.

Read the question they asked when they reached Jerusalem. Why was "all Jerusalem troubled" at the words of the visitors from the East? It certainly would throw the established order into confusion for a king to be born outside the Herodian line—a king who might contest the power of Rome.

They were told where the coming King was to be born and going out to His birthplace, they found the baby King and worshipped Him. Herod, the king, had pretended a deep desire himself to do homage to the new king, but homage of a bloody sort. So God sent the men from the East home by another road, so they did not tell Herod what they had found at Bethlehem.

4. Announcement of the birth of John the Baptist. Luke 1:5-25.

We are told that the father of John the Baptist was a priest, thus a mediator between God and man. He was an old man, the husband of an old wife. While performing his function in the temple, he was told that his wife should bear a son who was to be named John, and who was to go before the face of the Lord in the spirit and power of Elijah, "To make ready for the Lord a people prepared." So John came as it had been told his father of him.

5. Announcement to Mary. Luke 1:26-56.

Mary's question of the angel is the most natural that could be asked. The question and its answer is in their simplicity are two in a strong chain of indications in this exquisite chapter that we have here an actual record of what took place, and not a fanciful speculation as to facts.

Read the account of Mary's visit to the hill country to visit her cousin Elizabeth, and of how when she met Elizabeth, Mary's heart burst forth in the wonderful song we know as The Magnificat. It is such a song as we might expect from the heart and lips of some Puritan maiden upon whose heart the Lord had moved.

6. Birth of John. Luke 1:57-80.

He was born in God's good time, and his father, Zacharias, had been speechless as the angel had told him he would be until the birth of the son. Read the wonderful song of praise with which Zacharias praised God as soon as his lips were opened on the day great John was named.

II. The Birth of Jesus and Events Which Immediately Followed. Luke 2:1-40.

Read the account of the birth, noticing the reason for this event's taking place in Bethlehem. Note the complete foreknowledge of God as to the where and the how of His Son's coming. Luke 2:1-7.

2. The visit of the shepherds. Luke 2:8-20.

Not to the so-called great of earth, but to the really great, the great of the faithful hearts, the great of the trusting souls, was the herald angel sent. His father David was a shepherd, and He was to be through all

the ages the Good Shepherd. Was it not then appropriate that the tidings of His coming should be given first to shepherds?

3. The circumcision and the naming. Luke 2:21-24.

Of course this rite was attended to by His foster-father, Joseph, the husband of Mary. This ceremony took place when the child was eight days old. The ceremony of the purification of the mother took place forty days after the birth of a man-child. Our Lord was "made of woman, made under the law," and honored both as no other man who ever lived.

4. Adoration of Simeon. Luke 2:25-35.

Simeon on this occasion was a seer to whom God gave a vision, and he spoke that vision. He accepted his sight of the infant Christ as God's signal of release for him from the earth. "Now, Lord, thou art sending thy servant away in peace, according to thy word." 1. He held his Saviour in his arms and recognized Him as God's prepared salvation for the world. 2. He recognized this infant Savior as the world's longed-for Redeemer. 3. He had vision to see that this was now the glory of Israel, the finest fruit the race could produce. 4. This Savior was to reveal God to the Gentiles. 5. This Savior was not a creed but a person, a personal Savior.

5. The residence at Nazareth. Luke 2:39, 40.

Read verse 40, noting how and in what regards the child Jesus grew.

6. Read carefully the account of the visit of the child Jesus to Jerusalem at the age of 12.

DANIEL McEACHERN STONE
March 5, 1877-December 26, 1941

He died at an early hour Friday, December 26, 1941, at the home of his sister, Mrs. S. P. Armstrong, in Vaiden, Miss.

For almost a half century he had been a member and faithful attendant of the Vaiden Baptist Church.

The school inspector, testing the faculty of observation in the pupils crossed the platform, shifting his fountain pen from one pocket to another. "Now, what did I do?" he asked.

A small girl held up her hand. "You crossed in front of Teacher without saying, 'pardon me,'" she said.

THOU SHALT NOT STEAL By Henry C. Rogers

A short time ago I delivered a message on the subject, "Thou Shalt Not Steal." This was delivered in one of our churches in Tennessee. A few days later I boarded a street car and the street car fare was only seven cents. When I got on the street car, I gave the conductor a \$1.00 bill. He gave me my street car check and my change. I started counting it and saw a mistake had been made. I counted it for the second and third time. I went back to the conductor and told him that he did not give me the correct change. He asked me how much he gave me and I told him he was supposed to have given me 93 cents, but instead he had given me \$1.03 and I gave him 10 back. He smilingly said, "Yes, I know I gave you 10 cents too much. I was in your congregation the other Sunday when you spoke on honesty. I watched you in the mirror and I saw that you had counted your money and I knew that you knew you had too much change. If you had not counted your money, then it would have naturally been a mistake you were not aware of, but seeing you count your money, I knew that you knew the mistake." When he told me this, it scared me to think I could have sold my character, my life and my influence—all for 10 cents.—Selected, Baptist, New Mexico.

"What are you doing in the pantry, Willie?"
"Fighting temptation, mother."

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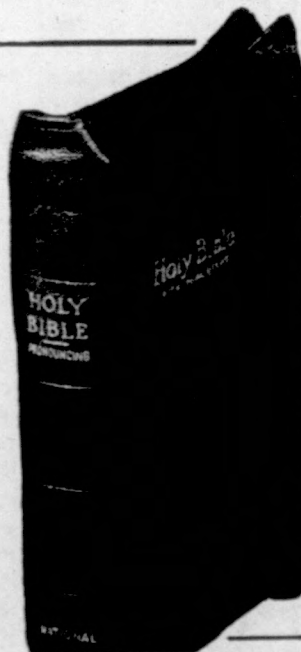
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**A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT
of the
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The critical developments of recent days throughout the world demand that the Foreign Mission Board inform our people on the present status of our missionaries and the means being used by the Board for their protection.

Our people are rightly concerned about the safety and well-being of our missionary force and it is the duty and responsibility of your Foreign Mission Board to keep our constituency advised of all plans made for the protection and welfare of these devoted men and women who are representing Southern Baptists in distant lands.

By formal action of the Board, I am sending to all Baptist papers this brief word to allay any fear, if it exists, that your Board is failing to do all in its power for your foreign representatives in this day of unprecedented chaos and carnage.

As of this date, all of our missionaries are safe. We have not been able to get in touch with every one but so far as we are informed now there have been no fatalities, nor any undue hardship. Of course, we do not know for sure just what the situation is in every case and I can only advise of the situation as it appears at the present moment.

The Board has sent a cable to all the missions in China, the Philippines, Japan and Manchuria recommending that all missionaries place themselves under the direction of the American authorities and return to America if possible or advisable. We are advising them that efforts are being made in Washington to arrange for their finances. At this moment there is no way of getting money into occupied China. We hope we may succeed in getting money into free China.

To our missionaries in Budapest, Hungary, and Bucharest, Rumania, we are wiring that they are to put themselves under the direction of the American consul in these cities and to return to America if advisable. The same effort is being made to secure financial help for them.

While South America is not directly involved in the war at this time, the Board feels that the time has come when we should reappraise the mission situation in all of South America.

We have advised our missionaries by cable that we should like to have their advice regarding their needs or desires. There is no difficulty in getting money to all missionaries in South America.

Since this paragraph was written cables have come telling us about the safety of our missionaries in South America and saying that the doors of opportunity are wide open. There is no disposition on the part of South American missionaries to leave their posts, rather they are urging us to send them recruits.

All the reports that come from Africa indicate that the work of our mission was never more successful. Our missionaries there are far removed from the scene of action and no anxiety need be felt about their safety.

Many months ago the Board gave permission for any missionaries in the Orient to return if he or she saw fit. Most of the women and children returned at that time, but all men physically able to continue in the work decided that their duty was to remain with the Chinese people in their hour of need. Any remaining have done so of their own free will and choice.

The Foreign Mission Board wishes its constituency to know that the welfare of these missionaries is in our minds and hearts each hour of the day and night. We are taking every possible step to provide for their comfort and physical needs. There are some things that we cannot do but everything humanly possible is being done to insure their safety and comfort.

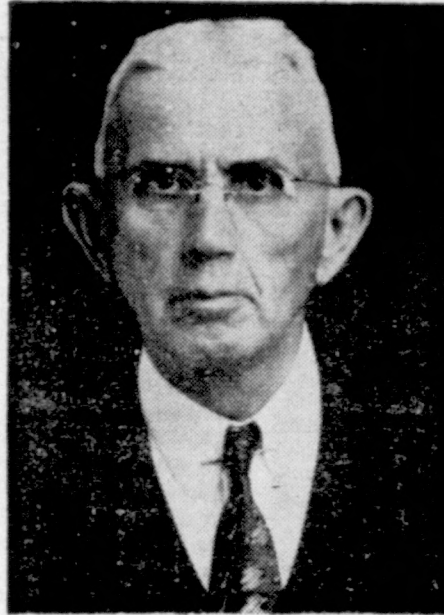
The reports that come from the Far East indicate that only the kindest of treatment is being meted out to the missionaries in that part of the world. It is our belief that none of them are in concentration camps.

You will be kept advised through the denominational papers and otherwise of any new developments. In the meantime rest assured that nothing is being left undone to protect these men and

RESIGNED

Dr. J. M. Walker

Dr. J. M. Walker, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Aberdeen, has resigned his pastorate with that church, after having served it faithfully and well for a period of more than 21 years. During this time, the church, under his wise and efficient leadership, has built one of the most beau-



DR. J. M. WALKER

tiful church buildings in the state. It contains a large and well-appointed auditorium, which seats approximately one thousand people. It has 45 rooms and assembly halls. Every year during this long period of time, the church has enjoyed a great revival, in which many have been added to the church membership.

Besides this great work at Aberdeen, Bro. Walker has been pastor of several smaller churches for afternoon appointments. He has held a number of mission meetings in sections where there were no churches; sometimes preached under the trees, with his audiances seated on logs and stumps. A great many mission revivals of this kind have been held by Dr. Walker in a gospel tent, which local friends assisted him in procuring. In this way, he has opened many mission stations, and organized a number of churches, which now have their own houses of worship, and their pastors, and are doing a fine work.

In addition to this, in recent months, Dr. Walker has held from ten to a dozen revival meetings outside the state of Mississippi, as well as in it. He has held meetings in Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Virginia and Florida, and in other states as well. He has been invited back to the same churches, year after year, for as high as ten and twelve times. One of the greatest meetings of his life was held just a few weeks ago in Kentucky, in a church of which he was pastor for ten or twelve years before he came to Mississippi.

Few men in the preacher brotherhood are better prepared for the work of the ministry than is Brother Walker. He is a Bible student and scholar of no mean ability. He always reads his Scripture lessons from memory, and sometimes quotes the Bible directly from the original languages. It is no uncommon thing for Dr. Walker to quote directly from the Hebrew Bible, or the Greek Testament, and give the literal meaning of the passages in modern English. So prolific is his knowledge of the scriptures that some who hear him preach often "think he knows the whole Bible by heart," but of course he does not, nor does he make any such boastful claim. But he does seem to know a wonderful amount of it.

Dr. Walker is a native of Indian Mound, Tennessee. He began to preach early in life; not over sixteen years of age when he preached his first sermon. He had never seen a college, nor heard of a seminary. But by the time he was thirty years of age, he was a university graduate. And a few years later he was a Doctor of Theology from the

women who represent Southern Baptists in these war-torn countries.

We crave the sympathetic interest and prayers of every Southern Baptist as we face the unprecedented problems of these momentous days.

READ ROMANS, CHAPTERS 1 AND 10

"Truth never dies! The ages come and go;
The mountains wear away; the seas retire
Destruction lays earth's mighty cities low;
And empires, states and dynasties expire;
But caught and handed onward by the wise,
Truth never dies!

"Though unreceived and scoffed at through the years,
Though made the butt of ridicule and jest;
Though held aloft for mockery and jeers,
Denied by those of transient powers possessed,
Insulted by the indolence of lies,
Truth never dies!

"Truth answers not; it does not take offense;
But with a mighty silence bides its time,
As some great cliff that braves the elements,
And lifts through all the storms its head sublime
So truth, unmoved, its puny foes defies;
Truth never dies!

"The lips of ridicule dissolve the dust;
The sophist's arguments, the jibes are still;
God working through the all-compelling Must,
Has broken those who dare combat His will,
New systems, born in wild unrest, arise;
Truth never dies!"

—BR—

OUR MISSIONARIES IN THE WAR ZONES

MANILA—"Well. Delayed Manila.—Sallie James."
HONGKONG—"Wards, Dodson, Pender, Quick, Rankin satisfactory. Hayes, Woodward, Gallimore, Greene, Miller, Ford, Canton. Circumstances unknown. No information about missionaries occupied areas.—Rankin."

Although no definite word has come from our own missionaries in occupied areas, several cables have been received from missionaries of other denominations. All are reported to be well and are being allowed a certain amount of freedom.

Dr. Maddy upon his return from Honolulu on the eighteenth of December reported that our fifteen missionaries located in Hawaii are finding great opportunities in relief service as well as in evangelistic work. Although every one of the fifteen was offered a chance to return to America, each asked to be permitted to remain where the needs and the opportunities for evangelistic work are so great.

Southern Baptist Seminary, of Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Walker has been pastor for full-time ever since his second year in the university as a ministerial student. He has held only three major pastorates in his life: Crestwood, Kentucky, where he was called to the pastorate for full-time just three weeks after he entered the Seminary in Louisville. He went from there to Lexington, Kentucky, where he was pastor at Felix Memorial Church from 1916 until he came to Aberdeen. But, while these are his major pastorates, at each place he has been pastor of almost innumerable churches for afternoon appointments. While in Kentucky, he preached an average of three or four times every Sunday; and was for years pastor for full-time at one central church, and pastor for part time of four other churches, reaching them for afternoon appointments.

Few know it, and little has been said about it, but Dr. Walker took the heaviest course in the Seminary that any man had ever taken, up to that time. After finishing his Master's Degree, he then took two years of post-graduate work; taking, not as do most candidates for the master's degree, one major and two minor courses; but Dr. Walker took THREE MAJORS. While Dr. Walker was not a brilliant student, he was a most diligent and hard-working one—and is yet. All this accounts for his wonderful Bible knowledge and scholarship.

The Baptist Church at Aberdeen has been fortunate in having the services of this good man, and we dare say deeply regrets his resignation. What his plans are, we do not know. But, in view of his busy ministry through the years, we know he will not sit down and do nothing. He seems now to be at the height of his powers, intellectually and otherwise.

H. B. SANDERS.

DR. W. A. HEWITT BEGINS HIS TWENTY-FIFTH YEAR AT FIRST CHURCH, JACKSON

Because of the inspiration and challenge it brings to our lives, and because of the appreciation and homage due him, those of us who know and love Dr. W. A. Hewitt believe that a retrospective view of his two dozen years as Pastor of the First Baptist



DR. W. A. HEWITT

Church, Jackson, Mississippi, should be shared with the Baptists of the state.

On December 9th, 1917, on the recommendation of the pulpit committee and the Board of Deacons, the church unanimously called Dr. Hewitt as pastor to begin January 1st, 1918. Governor A. H. Longino was chairman of the pulpit committee and J. M. Hartfield chairman of the Board of Deacons. Dr. Hewitt came to Jackson from Cliff Temple Church in Dallas, Texas.

Since that day, not a month has passed that this pastor has not led his people in great achievements for God. On January 6th, 1919, when this country was in a great financial depression following the first World War, Dr. Hewitt in his address to the regular meeting of the Board of Deacons told of the vision he had of a new church house in the near future. Consideration and investigation of ways and means for this new project followed and on April 13th, 1921, the church elected a building committee. On April 14, 1924, the first ground was broken. The pastor's dream, because of his patience and prayer and the full cooperation of the church membership, was rapidly becoming a reality. On June 26th, 1927, he preached in the first service that was held in the newly finished auditorium to a happy, rejoicing congregation. The building, valued at over \$600,000.00, includes 3½ stories, 402 rooms, and 4 auditoriums. Even last year there was installed a \$25,000.00 pipe organ that falls in the category of organs that are works of art; this addition was certainly a step toward fulfillment of the pastor's desire that his church be a "singing church." Today this House of Worship stands in its Gothic beauty a tribute and monument to God.

Dr. Hewitt and his people have looked beyond themselves to others. All through the years the First Baptist Church has helped every other Baptist church in this city financially and spiritually. In 1941 the contributions for this purpose amounted to \$5,000.00.

Comparative figures that show the growth that has taken place in all phases of the church life during Dr. Hewitt's pastorate are amazing. They reveal much hard work and a definite interest in the various organizations of the church. The total membership has increased from 973 in 1918 to nearly 4000 members now. The Sunday School has grown from 444 to more than 2000. The Baptist Training Union has increased from 21 to 412.

However, as thrilling as these figures are, during the pastor's twenty-four years of service here he has not placed his first emphasis on material or physical growth of the church; neither is he especially noted for ecclesiastically ethical church services or eloquence of preaching. Indeed, his is the true pastor's heart! In his deliberate, quiet, inimitable manner, filled with evangelic zeal, this servant of God week after week gives to his people real spiritual food. He can do this because he knows his congregation; he

SOLDIERS AND DEFENSE WORKERS SERVICE CLUB OPENS IN HATTIESBURG

We are happy to announce that Mississippi Baptists are formally opening a Soldier and Defense Worker Service Club in rooms of the First Baptist church on January 11th, at 2 p. m. We hope to have a large representation of Pastors of Lebanon Association and Chaplains from Camp Shelby, besides a host of people from Hattiesburg and service men from surrounding territory.

Our rooms are well located and spacious. On the ground floor we have an office and rest rooms. On the second floor there is a 22 ft. by 22 ft. room, and another 22 ft. by 60 ft. The smaller one will be used as a library and writing room. The larger is divided by lattice doors, giving ample space for a parlor in the front and a recreation room in the rear. Here we have a Badminton court, Shuffle Board court, Dart Board, Table Tennis, Spring Exercisers and other forms of activity. These two rooms can be thrown into one, making a large auditorium for programs by choirs, B.T.U.'s etc. A conservative estimate would be \$175.00 per month rental for this amount of floor space. We are indeed grateful to the First Baptist Church for this generous donation to the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Sunday afternoon, from two until five we will have our formal opening. The program is printed below. Refreshments will be served by women of the WMU's of Hattiesburg and surrounding territory.

M. E. Perry, Evangelist in Charge.

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Prelude, Violin Solo.....Selected

Mrs. D. C. Ware

Mrs. T. H. Freaney, Accompanist
"Onward Christian Soldiers" --

Congregation

Dedicatory Prayer, Rev. T. W.

Talkington, Sumrall, Miss.

Anthem.....Main Street Choir

Mrs. T. H. Freaney, Director

Welcome Address, Rev. J. A. Barnhill,
Main Street Church

"Ready".....Girls Quartette

Miss Marie Kingsbery, Miss Martha

Nell Ross, Mrs. Jimmie Lancaster,

Mrs. Woodie Wilson

Prayer, Dr. I. C. Rouse, 5th Ave. Church

Introduction of Pastors and Chaplains,

M. E. Perry

"Our Task".....Sermon

Dr. D. A. McCall, Sec'y. Miss. Baptist

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"What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

Congregation

knows them because he loves them, visits them, helps them.

As he gives the Living Bread, a tired mother is inspired to go on with new hope in her busy homelife; a business man is encouraged; a young person is challenged. Without demonstration, in his own way, the pastor in burning words has lifted the whole congregation Heavenward. One writer expresses our desired thought this way:

"Measure that sermon? Yes, if you can measure a sunbeam; if you can measure a mother's love; yes, if you can measure a spiritual uplift by the miserable yardstick of human measurement; no, my friend, the effect of that word given in that service can only be measured by Him in that day when the final judgment of each man's work is made."

One of his greatest attributes of character, perhaps, next to his deep spirituality and his love for God and the church, is Dr. Hewitt's calmness and peacefulness of heart and soul by which he turns his people away from any thought of strife or bickering and leads them to a closer fellowship with each other and God. His word is always "the utterance that shows a spirit subdued by truth and mastered by wisdom."

In conclusion, we pay homage to a Great Pastor of a Great Church and pray God's richest blessings on him and his wife and family who work so earnestly and diligently with him. Many times both Dr. and Mrs. Hewitt have been heard to say, "If we have done anything here it has been done by the goodness and grace of God." Does not that attitude indeed mark their true greatness?

—A MEMBER

A TRIBUTE TO MRS. W. W. PIERCE Pearlhaven Baptist Church

In the passing of Mrs. W. W. Pierce, we, as a Woman's Missionary Society, and the church as a whole, have lost one of our best co-workers and friends. Did I say lost? No, not lost; she has only finished the course and laid her burdens down a little earlier than we. Here was a life marked by all the refining processes of the Master of human souls—a life that reached life climax after a service of many years. Here was a life guided by the same sentiments which prompted Mary of Bethany to break the bottle of precious ointment over the Master's feet—one act of unselfishness, love and devotion which caused the Saviour to say, "She hath done what she could."

Mrs. Pierce loved her Master, her friends, her church and her family. Her life was one of service of devotion to those she loved. Truly, she walked with God, and now that she has gone, we shall treasure her sweet face and her devoted Christian character as one of the most precious gems in memory's casket. Not only shall we remember her noble example in order that the Master may say of each of us, "She hath done what she could."

Were it possible for her to send a message from Paradise perhaps it would be like this:

"What mean you by this weeping
To break my very heart;
We both are in God's keeping,
And therefore cannot part.
You there, I here, though severed,
We still in heart are one;
I'm only in the sunshine,
The shadows scarcely gone.
What though the clouds surround you
You cannot brightness see,
'Tis only a little way
That leads from you to me.
I was very weary,
Surely you could not mourn
That I a little sooner
Should lay my burdens down.
So weep not, weep not, loved ones,
God wipes away all tears.
'Tis only yet a little while,
Tho' you may call it years."

Written by Mrs. Tommie Jones,
Adopted by the Woman's Missionary Society and Pearlhaven Baptist Church.

—BR—

A postcard from a truthful vacationist: "Having a wonderful time; wish I could afford it."

Lena Baptist Church is really going places under the guidance and leadership of their wonderful pastor, Rev. A. A. Ward and fine wife. He has been pastor here two years and the church has moved forward in a fine way, much improvement has been done to the church building and grounds. Electric fans installed, also has a wonderful library, pastors home covered, and money recently raised to clear pastors home of debt.

We have a fine Sunday School with Mr. Ray Lyle as superintendent. Had a Sunday School study course this past week with good attendance.

The B. T. U. has elected officers for another year as follows:

Director—Mr. W. M. Bell.

Associate Director—Miss Emily Stovall.

Secretary and Treasurer—Miss Gusie Gilbert.

President of B. A. U.—Professor Jackson.

President of Go-Getters—Mr. Allen Blanton.

President of Seniors—Mrs. A. A. Ward.

Intermediate Leader—Miss Margaret Prince.

Junior Leader—Mrs. Allen Blanton.

—BR—

Mrs. Johns: "My little boy is very rough. He's always poking into things and pulling things to pieces. I don't know what to do with him."

Mrs. Cups: "Why not make him a dentist?"

—BR—

"How many calories in this soup?"
"Boss, there ain't none. This am a clean place to eat."

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Chins Up For 1942

1942 slips in with a little ado, but with a challenge to all of us to "chins up" as we face an uncertain future. Uncertain? Well, uncertain in many ways, but very certain to all believers in the Lord Jesus. His promises are just as true now as they ever were or ever will be. His promise is to hear and answer the believers prayer in faith. Shall our prayer not be one like this—"Lord give me many opportunities during these coming days to witness for Thee in such a way that many souls may come to know Thee in the forgiveness of sin, for Jesus' sake." We greet the year with hope, faith, and love, and a program that will look toward a more fully established kingdom for the King. Training Union forces will combine in their efforts to set up in every church a program of training that will bring to additional thousands the joys of a closer walk with Christ.

Our 1942 Theme

THE GROWING CHRISTIAN is the Training Union theme for 1942. The Monthly Training Union Magazine will emphasize the monthly theme each month. January, the theme is "The Christian's Possibilities for Growth." Splendid articles by some of our best leaders make the theme live in a new way. If you are not a reader of the Magazine, get a copy of the January issue. You will then look forward, each month, to this helpful periodical.

A Pastor Emphasizes the Monthly Training Union Theme

Each month in 1941 Dr. Frank Moody Purser, pastor of the Oxford church preached one sermon using for his theme the theme of the Training Union for the month, hence the congregation had twelve sermons on "Following the Living Christ." What better thing could all our pastors do this year than to bring to his people, each month, one great sermon on THE GROWING CHRISTIAN? Let the people know that the Training Union is in the business of "Growing Christians," or helping them to grow. Through this pulpit contribution the Training Union will receive strength and encouragement.

New Standards Coming to You This Week

This week we are mailing to every director whose name we have, one each of the new standards. He will in turn see that each union gets a copy to be placed on the wall of their room. There will be unions who will not receive a copy of the standard; these will be in churches where there is no director, in churches where there are more than one union in the department, and in some where new directors have been elected and we have not had the report of the change. If you desire a copy for your union, drop us a card and we will be happy to send you a copy.

Standards will be more easily

reached now! Study them carefully—each quarterly for this first quarter carries a copy of the standard. See that members of the union understand it in every point, vote to adopt it as your minimum achievement, and organize to meet every point this first quarter.—Be wise, standardize.

Pearl River Director Reports Enthusiastic Meeting

We are happy to pass on to our readers a word from Director M. E. Brooks of Pearl River Association. "We had the best Associational Training Union meeting in December that has ever been held in Pearl River Association. All were very enthusiastic about the meeting. There were 200 present and the program clicked. It was really uplifting. Everyone was at his best. We had put some hard work on making the program a success, but it was worth every bit of it. We kept the matter before the churches by letter, sending them programs, personal contacts, and through the newspaper. We are well pleased with the way our work has started off for the new year."

Lexington Starts Two New Units in Training Union

We reported the recent week of training in the Lexington church, and are happy to give this additional word, coming from Pastor Chastain. A Story Hour has been started with Miss Shirley Drennan as leader. The B. A. U. got off to a good start with Mr. Marvin Pope presiding, and the "intergraded service" with all unions coming in to the preaching service, eliminating that awkward intermission between Training Union and preaching service, is working like a charm. May we wish for this good church, W. J. Bilbro, director, continued progress.

Pike Director Reports Grand Meeting at Summit

"Despite threatening weather a large crowd attended the December meeting of the Pike County Associational Baptist Training Union, held at Summit on Thursday night. The service was opened with singing led by James White. Rev. James Thorne led the devotional. Special music was rendered by Brother A. E. Pardue of Magnolia. The meeting was presided over by Miss Sadie Godbold, leader of the Northern District of the Association. The Central Baptist Church of McComb, under the leadership of Mrs. O. B. Mott, presented the program which was a Christmas pageant. Bluff Springs had the largest attendance and therefore received the Attendance Banner. The next meeting will be held with Osyka church in February." Bro. Ritchie says that the large attendance at this last meeting with the weather very bad, but reveals the growing interest in the Training Union work in the Association.

Why not start the New Year re-

A LETTER FROM A CHAPLAIN IN ICELAND

Chaplain P. E. Cullon

The Country

If I were at home I imagine I would be glad to read a letter from someone in Iceland telling about the people and the American soldiers there. Less seems to be known about this interesting country than almost any other in the world.

The weather, always a good subject, is not what the average American thinks it is. Instead of icebergs and snowdrifts we have found up to the middle of December that it has been very mild. A few snows of late have covered the ground and once or twice the lakes were frozen over enough to skate on. Being very changeable has made it disagreeable during the fall. The wind blows in gusts and when it is raining or snowing you cannot keep your face dry. No one has suffered from the cold and the people here say that it does not get extremely cold.

The country is barren to look at. We found that a covering of green grass in the low sections was the only vegetation and the only color in this country of black chalk-looking mountains. It seems very strange not to see a tree or bush anywhere on the mountains after living in Southwest Virginia where trees and underbrush covered every foot of the mountains. The hot springs are a redeeming feature. The other day two of the officers took me to one of the open air swimming pools. Only I did not know until I opened the door leading to the pool that it was in the open. The cold wind was blowing and snow covered the ground. I got the shock of my life and quickly withdrew behind the closed door. But I had gotten a glimpse of one of the officers in the hot water and after I recovered from the first shock I got up nerve enough to make a dash for the warm water. About all that I can say is that I went in swimming in the open with snow on the ground. I did not stay long. They have a lovely sanitary inclosed pool in town. The hot springs furnish heat for hot houses, washing, heating houses and many other things. There are many interesting places to visit over here but I have not had a chance to see many of them yet.

—BR—

SANTA CLAUS COMES TO CLARKE

Despite world conditions and the fact that the United States is engaged in an all-out war against Germany, Italy and Japan, some people still have time to remember others during the Christmas season. Santa Claus is still a reality to the faculty of Clarke Memorial College. This is evidenced by the gift of \$30.00 to each of the faculty by Mr. Jeff Kent of Forest, Mississippi.

It is not my purpose here to eulogize Mr. Kent, but to express publicly our sincere thanks and appreciation to him for everything that he has done for Clarke Memorial College. This isn't Mr. Kent's first gift to the school, for he has been

solved that you will send in your quarterly report at the close of each quarter? Clip it out of the quarterly, paste it on a postal card, address it and drop in the mail. WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR IT.

BELZONI WHITE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The people of Belzoni have been extravagant in their expressions of appreciation for the White Christmas Service which was held at the Belzoni Baptist Church on Sunday night, December 21, many testifying to the fact that it was a most beautiful and inspiring service. The church auditorium was packed to capacity. Extra seats were brought in, and even standing room was taken, but there were numbers of people who failed to find room and so turned away.

Three choirs took part in the service, the regular Adult Choir, Intermediate Choir and Junior Choir, making a total of about 75 voices. The music was well rendered, and the entire service was impressive and deeply spiritual. The auditorium was beautifully decorated, which added much to the service.

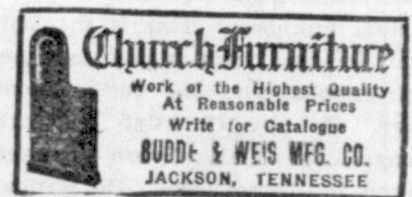
More than \$300 came in in the offering which was taken at the close of the service. This was divided by the givers between the Lottie Moon Offering for Foreign Missions and the offering for Religious Work in the Army Camps of Mississippi. Together with the amount the W. M. S. had already raised for the Lottie Moon Offering, the total amount for that cause was a little above \$300, while the offering for the work in the Army Camps amounted to \$178.

We believe this service helped much in leading our people to observe the Christmas season in the Christmas spirit. We appreciate the faithfulness of those who took part in the service and the good response of those who attended.

W. L. COMPERE, Pastor.

very gracious and generous heretofore with his time, money and interest in Clarke. Surely, the least we might do is to wish for Mr. and Mrs. Kent the happiest Christmas that they have ever known.

FREEMAN E. MAY,
President.



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TEAM MEMBERS FOR STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS

See Story on Page Two



DR. FRANK H. LEAVELL



MARY ALICE BIBB



DR. N. R. DRUMMOND



NORMAN O'NEAL



REV. OWEN WILLIAMS

Dear Brother Editor:

We are enclosing a letter which was written to us by our son, Lamar Etheredge, who is in the marines, and has been stationed at San Diego, California, and has now been shipped to parts unknown. This is the last letter we had from him before he was shipped out, we don't know where. He is a Christian and has belonged to Oak Grove Baptist Church for three years. He is now 19 years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Etheredge,
Philadelphia, Miss., R-6.

"Dear Mother and Dad:

"Well how are all the folks back home? As for me I am just fine. I wrote you that I thought I would stay here in California but they have made a change in things out here. I am expecting to be sent out any day. It may be Pearl Harbor or some other island, I don't know.

"Don't worry about me. If I never come back, just forget it, for you will know that I have died for my country which I am willing to do.

"I am willing to fight for my country. I am a man now and not a boy any longer. A man who is willing to fight and die for his country. So just cheer up, if it is God's will I will be back home some day, and if not I will meet you in Heaven and there we can be happy together.

"With love forever from your son,
"LAMAR ETHERIDGE."

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B.T.U.
ATTENDANCE, DEC. 21, 1941

Tupelo Calvary	341	75
West Side—Natchez	156	79
Coffeeville	94	
Calvary—Silver Creek	105	
Cross Roads—Webster	65	
Bethlehem—Jones	80	47
Corinth	313	59
Clear Branch—Rankin	63	
Calvary—Greenwood	183	94
Jackson Griffith	759	390
Clarksdale	428	135
Ackerman	125	
Louisville	348	
Vaiden	60	

December 28

Jackson First	970	331
Jackson Griffith	759	390
Harmony—Walnut	74	
Cross Roads—Webster	66	
Montevista	51	31
Tupelo—Calvary	253	85
Paden	21	
Springfield—Morton	96	40
Calvary—Silver Creek	85	
Pilgrim's Rest—Copiah	59	39
West Side Natchez	160	63
Bethlehem—Jones	65	89
East Side—Jackson	39	
Beaumont	54	
Sunflower	84	
Highland—Meridian	195	
Ackerman	99	

January 4, 1942

Jackson First	871	324
Jackson Griffith	653	279
Crystal Springs	239	83
Highland—Meridian	221	
Bruce	48	
Sunflower	81	
Montevista	39	22

—BR—

R. D. Pearson says in the Macon Baptist Messenger.

"There are many and varied clubs. There are social clubs, study clubs, music clubs, civic clubs, fraternal clubs and such like. But here is one club that has for its sole purpose the advancement of the Kingdom of Christ.

"This club had its birth in the hearts of loyal Baptists who want to see Christ's work liberated from the heavy burden of debt, and the load of interest. The purpose of it is to pay off all of our bonded indebtedness in three years, thus saving 60 cents on each dollar, and releasing funds for mission work.

"The plan of this club was worked out and adopted by the messengers of the churches who were sent by the churches to represent them at the State Convention. No church has to accept its suggested quota, or help with the club. But THIS CLUB PRESENTS A GLORIOUS PRIVILEGE to every Baptist in Mississippi."

WITH PASTOR D. W. MOULDER

It was the writer's privilege to be with Pastor D. W. Moulder in a meeting with Beulah Church in Simpson County from Nov. 24th through the 30th, having only night services. The Lord blessed our efforts. There were some additions by letter. They are repairing their house of worship and paying as they go. It was a real job to labor with both church and pastor.

Thursday, Nov. 27th, was a high day with Brother Moulder. This was his seventy-fourth birthday. His children, other relatives and a number of his friends and church members gathered at his home and spent the day. The writer enjoyed bringing them a message at eleven o'clock. He received many presents. Among them was a real nice suit of clothes. His people love him and they ought to for he lives and works for them and loves them.

Brother Moulder is the Lord's great and good man. He lives up to his religious profession. His health is good and he does as much work as he ever did. His age has not slowed him down. He constantly goes in high. His son, C. S. Moulder, is writing a biography of his father. This should be done. I predict a wide reading for it. I was spiritually blessed by associating a week with this good man of God.

B. E. PHILLIPS.

New Hebron, Miss.

—BR—

NEWTON APPROVES TITHES AND OFFERING PLAN

We had a great Christmas. The men of the church gave me a 21 jewel Waltham watch and the WMS gave Mrs. Morris a punch bowl.

Our WMS gave a little more than \$100 on the Lottie Moon offering. The church about \$50.00 for our Christmas Camp offering.

We have closed our first year on Tithes and Free Will offerings (no pledges) financial plan. We started the year with an overdraft of \$623.00 and closed with a balance of \$197.00. Our church would not go back to a pledge program. They also gave the pastor a raise in salary for 1942.—R. A. Morris.

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—JACKSON—

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Teacher: "Give an example."

Pupil: "Horatius kept the bridge."

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FROM THE BAPTIST HOSPITAL An Appreciated Christmas Gift

The time was seven o'clock Wednesday evening, Christmas Eve.

Our little family circle of four was being pleasantly entertained by a couple of friends who had dropped in to share the evening.

Suddenly voices rang out near the front, singing a carol that thrilled our hearts through and through. . . . Silently we listened till the hush at the end left its uplifting influence. . . . Who, like the angels of long ago, could be bringing us the Message of Peace and good will at this time.

Elizabeth picked up a dish of candy from the table and went to find the voices. Shortly thereafter she returned, followed by the singers. Such a large group of them came streaming in. They each one glanced with a smile toward my corner; then having arranged their choir, they softly, sweetly rang out on "Silent Night; Holy Night." Even before they began singing, I recognized them! "My girls," said my heart. Nurses from the Hospital, who, with two of their supervisors, had slipped away, to come and sing to me!

With joy and thrills unspeakable I looked in their dear faces, and listened to their voices. Their hearts were in their singing. Their souls went out to a suffering world with the message of "Joy to the world."

They had to hasten away, because patients and other nurses and a Christmas tree were awaiting their coming. But they left behind them a blessing and a benediction.

Christmas brought me many pleasures. A great shower of cards came fluttering in like white winged birds, bearing messages of kindly greeting for the present and hopeful wishes for the future. Other gifts from loved ones near and far thrilled us with delightful surprises. We are most grateful for each and every one. But do you think it unusual that somehow we think most of the carols our nurses brought me on Christmas Eve? Do you wonder that their words as well as their music still echo round us in thanksgiving and praise? Make a joyful noise unto the Lord. . . . Sing forth the honor of His Name; make His praise glorious.

Margaret McRae Lackey.

BR—
**BETHEL AND GOOD HOPE—
WINSTON COUNTY**

Bethel—On the past second Sunday afternoon our young brother, Jimmy Haggard, was set apart to the full work of the ministry. The ordination sermon was preached by the pastor, the charge delivered by Bro. H. R. Herrington of Clinton. Deacons Martin, Chancellor, Priest, Spaulding and Richardson of Macon and H. Haggard, W. J. Haggard and J. K. Triplett of Bethel church served on the council. Brother Haggard's ordination was requested by the Spring Hill Baptist Church. He is a young man of finest qualities, and of splendid abilities.

At the close of the service the members of the church gave the pastor a "shower" which turned out to be a veritable "downpour" of good things. This is one of the Lord's truly great churches, though few in number. It is a co-operating church (monthly); a Now Club church; a Sunday school and B. T. U.-minded

STATEMENT BY DR. LIPSEY

I am grateful for all kindness shown me by Mississippi Baptists.

In last week's Record there was a statement relative to me personally which needs a little clarification. It had reference to an annuity which will be paid in the future. Of course this was not a special provision made for my benefit, but a plan by which all employees of the Convention Board are benefited. This was made for Board employees and all pastors who wish to avail themselves of it. It is a good plan and all of us should take advantage of it. I, for one, am glad and grateful that it was made. By this plan the Mississippi Convention Board paid for my benefit \$128.25. The Board in Dallas paid \$85.00 and I paid \$692.50. This is recorded here lest anybody should think that our Board has been extravagant in the matter. While the Board was paying their \$128.25 for the purpose I was paying \$425.00 to provide a Children's Page for The Record readers, besides other items.

The annuity is paid not by the State Convention Board but by the Relief and Annuity Board in Dallas.
P. I. LIPSEY.

BR— RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT TO THE LATE MRS. J. W. McRAE

Be, it resolved that the Brandon Baptist Woman's Missionary Society is shocked and bereaved by the passing of one of its most beloved members, Mrs. J. W. McRae.

Whereas: She well and truly served her family, her church and community. Her unselfish devotion and faithfulness to these will truly be missed.

Whereas: It is given to few women to live and die so well beloved of all who knew her as was Linda; likewise few are the women who deserve the love of every one who knew her, as did Linda.

Whereas: We feel that church, friends, and family meant more to her than to the average person.

Whereas: Her smiling face and willingness to help will be sadly missed.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, one sent to The Brandon News, one to The Baptist Record, and one kept in the minutes of the W. M. U.

Signed:

MRS. H. G. LAIRD,
MRS. E. T. SHARP,
MRS. R. R. BUSICK,
MRS. G. A. HARRISON.

BR—

Wife (learning to drive): "But I don't know what to do!"

Husband: "Just imagine I'm driving."

church and an Every Family church.

Good Hope—Another church of the same qualities and qualifications is Good Hope. On last Sunday afternoon the Sunday school presented the Bethlehem scene together with the visit of the Wise Men. At the close of the worship service the pastor was given another downpour of good things brought by the Sunday school and church members. As was said of Bethel church, this church, too, is a co-operating church, a Now Club church and an EF church, with a live Sunday school. In spite of the ungravelled country roads these good people are growing in the Sunday school and church work. We rejoice in their faithfulness and love.

R. D. PEARSON, Pastor.

GOOD RESULTS

Brother Pastor, when have you preached a sermon on the observance of the Sabbath?

I did some weeks ago and here are some good results: One member of my church is a country merchant. He had the habit of opening his store on Sunday; but after my sermon he and his family agreed to keep the store closed on the Lord's Day.

Results? Well, the first week his sales fell off \$150.00. The second week they climbed up \$40.00, the third week \$60.00, and the fourth week was the best in the life of his business. Because he was not held down by his store, he went out to render a service for the church on a Sunday afternoon and a friend sent him home with five gallons of new excellent molasses.

He is happy, interested and liberal and he is interesting others in the Lord's work. May the Lord lead many other pastors to preach on this important subject and help them to see some such results.

BRYAN SIMMONS.

BR—

HARMONY CHURCH, WALNUT, MISSISSIPPI

Harmony Church has had one of its most prosperous years from a material standpoint. The interior of the church has been reconditioned. New and modern pews have been bought, a new rostrum has been built and equipped with new chairs for preacher and seat for the choir. The old church looks like the membership has launched a new and vigorous campaign to promote Christian religion in this community and may the spirit grow to bless the ends of the earth.

A beautiful concrete fence has been completed around the south and west sides of the cemetery. The fence looks as if it were substantially built to withstand Hitler's legions and old man weather for many hundreds of years.

All of the above mentioned improvements have been built during the year 1941 and are fully paid for by free will offering of devout and faithful members of Harmony Church with the help of our neighbors of all denominations; and the community in general who contributed generously to construct the beautiful cemetery fence.

We are grateful to Rev. C. M. Wilbanks and our able and conscientious pastor, H. M. Pulliam, and John Boyd, Sr., and all others who have in any way given their time and money to any of the improvements in any way. From the boys who stirred the concrete and carried the water or steel, to the ones who gave the largest sum of money, allow us on behalf of the church and the entire community to thank you from the bottom of our heart. May the Lord bless you and may this community spirit tend to bind us together in a determined effort to grow spiritually in 1942 as we have never grown.

Our motto for the coming year is for every member to be a messenger to tell someone about the Savior. Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come into the house of the Lord so they in turn might bless others.

—REPORTER.

BASSFIELD, BETHANY AND WHITE SAND, Jeff Davis County

The pastor wishes to express his heartfelt gratitude to every member of these churches for the splendid cooperation he has received. The Record now goes to every family of these three churches. Read it for the spiritual uplift you will get and for the information you should have.

We are exceedingly proud and grateful to God for all the blessings that have come our way. The church at Bassfield has paid \$1200 on the church debt and plans are being made for next year's drive. Trusting God we believe we will come out victorious.

We have this year preached 110 sermons. Held 104 prayer meeting services, taught 24 Bible studies in W. M. U., taught two study courses, conducted 9 funerals, performed two marriages, held two revival meetings and led the singing in one other. Total additions this year for baptism, letter and restoration, 47.

With grateful hearts and faith in God we look forward to a great New Year.

REV. JOE W. HUDSON,
Pastor.

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AN APPEAL TO SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, December 17, 1941, with representatives of the Convention agencies present authorized the following appeal:

TO THE BAPTISTS OF THE SOUTH

Dear Brethren and Sisters in Christ:

We feel constrained to call your attention to a matter of great concern and ask your prayerful and immediate action.

We are facing the most crucial situation our country, our churches, and our people have ever known. It behooves us to take stock, study strategy, lay plans, and get rid of anything and everything that would hinder the largest possible service to Christ and to humanity in this day of days.

One hindering and humiliating burden we carry is the debt upon our general denominational agencies. This debt happily has been reduced from approximately \$6,000,000 to \$2,161,055.66, but it ought to be entirely wiped out. It ought to be done now. It can be done if our people will whole heartedly, sacrificially, and concertedly act now. We, therefore, urge:

1. That special effort be made immediately to actually realize one hundred thousand memberships in the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club.

2. That February 15, or nearest suitable Sunday, be observed as Baptist Hundred Thousand Club or Debtless Denomination Day.

3. That every church be asked to adopt a minimum goal of one Club membership for each twenty-five church members.

4. That cash contributions be taken and credit given on this goal. One Club membership for every \$12.00 contributed.

5. That all holding Centennial memberships or having made pledges toward the Debtless Denomination be urged to pay the same as rapidly as possible.

6. That wise follow-up plans be adopted in the effort to enlist every member of every church in this special effort to rid our denomination of its debt.

If, for any reason, it is not deemed best to ask for Club memberships, then ask for cash contributions. Ask all to help.

We call upon all our agencies, organizations, and people to join whole heartedly and immediately with our pastors in this special effort to have a Debtless Denomination now.

Yours for a Debtless Denomination now,

W. W. HAMILTON,

President, Southern Baptist Convention,

CHAS. W. DANIEL,

President, Executive Committee, S. B. C.

J. E. DILLARD,

Director of Promotion, S. B. C.